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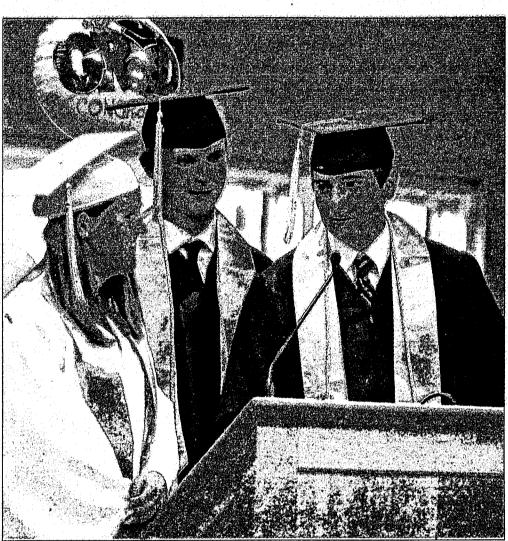
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Gabrielle Conrad, Colton Davis and Rick James remember their years in SAD 44 at Friday night's Telstar Regional High School Commencement.

Farewell to THS 2013

By ALISON ALOISIO

The Telstar High School Class of 2013 said its goodbyes Friday evening in a Commencement ceremony in the school gymnasi-

Fifty-seven graduates received their diplomas after a series of speakers offered advice, sentiment and reflections.

The class' top three scholars spoke about the value of risk-taking, determination and lessons learned. Valedictorian

James weaved humor into his address, describing his first visit to Telstar as a child in which he ended up pulling a fire alarm, as

well as his first day as a student dressed in "stripes and plaids." The wardrobe quickly drew commentary from an older cousin at Telstar. It was an example, he said, "of hundreds of little lessons learned over the years."

The experiences at the school "helped each and every one of us. I'm definitely not as good as I could be, probably not as good as I should be, but everyone here is better than we used to be because of this place," he said. "And for that, Telstar Regional High School, we thank

you." Salutatorian Colton Da-

vis also employed humor, describing his jitters about giving a speech and being reminded of the advice to picture the audience in their underwear. But, he said, "I think whoever said that didn't really give speeches with their grandparents in the audience."

On a more serious note he told his classmates, "We all possess the ability to develop greatness in one form or another. I've seen fragments of greatness in all of you." He said many great people shared the quality of determination,

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Reflections on the Class of 2013 Basketball sets the pick at Davis Park

"It might not be the perfect spot, but the kids don't care. Let's get something started. If we can go bigger and better down the road, it's going to cost you nothing. It's all going to be fundraised money. We'll tear it down and you can build something else. It's nothing out of your pocket. Give the kids a place to play ball."

Todd Wheeler expressed that sentiment at last week's Bethel Town Meeting just before voters easily approved a new basPark site where a dog park was originally proposed.

Wheeler had circulated a petition this spring to build the court, should the dog park proposal be defeated at town meeting. And it was, easily.

Debate

Last week's debate over the park vs. the court lasted almost an hour and continued through the three warrant articles that addressed the issue.

Selectmen had lished a special committee to come up with an overall to include both a dog park and a basketball court. One warrant article asked that selectmen be autho-

rized to accept donations

for the projects. But it was defeated, along with an amendment that would have brought the committee plan back to

voters for approval. Jarrod Crockett sympathetic to finding a diplomatic solution but, he said, putting off building a basketball court for

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What's next for hoops, other recreation in Bethel?

Basketball court organizers will have to meet with the Planning Board to see if a formal review of the project will be required, Town Manager Jim Doar said last

The Board of Selectmen had also set out terms and conditions for the dog park, and Doar said similar requirements will likely be established for the basketball

Among the dog park requirements were demonstration of sufficient funds to complete construction and funds placed in escrow to cover dismantling if maintenance conditions are not met.

As for the future of the Recreational Facilities Committee, said Doar, "its role will be to set a timeline and goals, which include finding a location for the dog park, setting goals for creating more athletic fields including baseball fields, soccer fields, and tennis, with preferred locations.

"I plan on recommending to the selectmen that they continue to support the committee's work and consider moving forward with implementing the recommendations, either at a special town meeting or at next year's annual town meeting," he

Doar also said he anticipates the committee will make a recommendation "for the existing use, and maintenance, of SAD 44 ball fields all summer as well as incorporating Ethel Bisbee into any planning."

Selectmen recently sent a resolution asking SAD 44 to return the vacant school to the town. The site has been mentioned as a possible location for recreational fa-

Steve Wight, who had presented the dog park plan to the Planning Board for the Dog Park Committee, said Monday the committee will continue to work to establish a park. He also said he was pleased that Doar feels the RFC can continue.

But Wight wondered if the basketball supporters will be able to get a permit for the site approved for the dog park. "Our permit is based on the plan for the dog park creating no impermeable surface and maintaining the 2 percent slope of the land at the site," he said. "I do not believe that those conditions would work for a paved basketball court.'

The park committee had received approval for its application to construct a facility with wood chips as a base.

He described last week's vote at the town meeting as a "well-orchestrated theft of the site permitted by the Planning Board."

THS trackster breaks state record in national 5K event

tance runner Josef Holt- Luchini's time of 15:00.44, Andrews had a strong per- set in 1998. Holt-Andrews formance in the 5-kilometer competition last Fri- the 16th overall finish. day at the New Balance Outdoor Nationals, held in North Carolina.

16th overall and broke the never got to far away from Maine state record for alltime best 5k, according to the first 1k in 3:01.78, then his coach, Dan Crooker.

Maine TrackXC website, K as they went through 2k Holf-Andrews crossed the in 5:57. He continued to be line in 14:57.76. The time near the front as the pace

Telstar High School dis- bettered Mainer Louie won the unseeded race for

According to Maine TrackXC, "Josef ran a smart race as he laid off Holt-Andrews finished the fast pace earlier on, but the front. Josef covered moved up to seventh as the As described on the pace increased in the next

slowed a bit in the next K, going through 3k in 9:03.83 in third place. With 800m to go Josef made his move, and no one could go with him, his last two laps were 68.02 and 64.93 as he pulled away for the win."

In running competitions earlier this spring, Holt-Andrews anchored the 4x800 Telstar relay team. which won the Class C State Championship. He won individual titles in the 1,600 and 3,200-m, making him the only threeevent champion at the meet.

He also did well at the New England meet, running a personal record in the 1,600 with a time of 4:19.55 and finishing sixth.

"Tar sands" opponents plan to continue work

A member of the local citizen group which supported a resolution opposing the possible flow of "tar sands" oil through the nearby Portland-Montreal Pipe Line said Friday their work is not done, despite a defeat of the resolution at last week's Bethel Town Meeting.

Bethel voters easily rescinded the resolution originally approved at a special town meeting in January.

The resolution opposed a potential reversal of the direction of oil flow through a Portland-Montreal Pipeline Co. pipeline that pass-

es through Bethel as it carries crude oil to Montreal. Pipeline officials who attended the January meeting never got a chance to present their case before residents voted.

Bud Kulik, who circulated a petition to bring about the revote, told residents last week that if they rescinded the vote, "we can go back to square one. The proponents can always bring it up again, if they wish to do so.

That point was echoed by Larry Wilson, president/ CEO of the Portland-Montreal Pipe Line.

He said resolution proponents "have every right to do another resolution, and all we want to do is try to protect the operations that have been here for 72 years, to come and participate in the discussion, and be happy to accept the re-

Wilson said the resolution, which he acknowledged is not legally binding was intended by proponents "to send a message that all of the community is supporting for the elected officials in Maine to keep oil sands opportunities out of Maine.'

But others at the meeting, including Al Cressy, thought there was enough

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Letters

DISAPPOINTED IN VOTE

To the Editor:

We are so disappointed in the manner in which the creation of a Dog Park for Bethel has been handled. The idea for the park came out of collaboration within the Bethel Area Non-Profit Committee - BANC - several years ago. The process of gathering support and doing the legwork for the park took many months and the work of several fine Bethel citizens supported by many other citizens.

Somehow, after the dog park as an idea was presented to the Town, a few selfish and, yes, arrogant, folks, took it upon themselves to make the process contentious and an "us or them" situation. They want a basketball court. Fine. We don't play basketball, but we support the creation of a basketball court for those who do. It should never have become a one or the other situation.

One woman, who is for a basketball court, made it very clear that she was not only anti-dog park but anti-dogs, characterizing dogs as dirty, aggressive and untrained; and dog owners as irresponsible and ignorant. One could say that basketball players are sweaty and create litter. It is possible that many of the folks who voted for a basketball court did not understand that they were voting against having Dog Park.

So many people today say that they don't like politicians and politics, yet they let this become a politicized and polarizing situation. Shame on them. Our condolences to our beloved family dogs - they are the real los-

Marcia and Laurence Austin

To the Editor:

The 2013 Telstar softball team is again planning a trip to North Carolina in the spring of 2014. The girls, parents and coaches are beginning to fundraise for their trip. The cost will be around \$12,000 to cover all expenses; there will be around 30 players, parents and coaches going on this trip.

THS SOFTBALL TRIP

The team will be having raffles, a calendar sale, and car washes/bottle drives over the summer to help raise this money. They will be working at MollyOckett Day on the common and Andover Olde Home Days in August. Any business or individual that wishes to contribute money, a gift certificate or raffle item is encouraged to contact any of the individuals below:

Coaches: Jim Lunney 316-7960 or Mark Kenney 890-

Parents: Donna Howard 357-5555, Shelley Peterson 491-7264 or Tonya Prentice 418-8278.

Thank you all in advance for your continued support of Telstar softball.

Coach Jim Lunney

THANKS FROM SAD 44

To the Editor:

On behalf of MSAD 44, I would like to acknowledge several major donations that the district has recently received and thank those donors for the positive impact these contributions have made on the school district, its students and the community as a whole.

During the previous school year, the school system received an anonymous \$50,000 donation in memory of the Cross Brothers of Mt. Abram. This generous contribution allowed the school system to upgrade the sound system in the Helen C. Berry Auditorium at the Telstar complex, purchase a set of portable risers for use at our elementary school concerts, and set some funds aside to benefit the MSAD 44 Wellness Team. The auditorium project was completed recently and the acoustics are now greatly improved.

Late last spring, Michael Pelletier and his company, Clean Cut Painting, volunteered the labor to scrape, prep, and paint the district's bus garage. This effort resulted in an improved facility that now provides a much more welcoming first impression to visitors entering Bethel. Enhancing this project was the lettering on the garage provided by Jewel Clark, Ms. Clark has been a longtime supporter of the district.

Most recently, a new and innovative partnership between Telstar High School and Central Maine Community College received two significant donations. Project Opportunity will fund all tuition-related expenses for Telstar participants up to a total of \$25,000. The Sunday River Ski Resort has donated another \$12,500 to help cover the costs of any other expenses associated with this program.

MSAD 44 has benefited significantly from the efforts of many local businesses and individuals in recent years. Thanks to the generosity of many people, we have seen successful Contractors' Day projects completed at our schools, as well as many other positive accomplishments throughout the district.

These donations, as well as the many other types of support that our schools receive on a regular basis, are always greatly appreciated.

David W. Murphy, Ed.D. SAD 44 superintendent

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A RUSH TO JUDGMENT

To the Editor:

Another town meeting has come and gone and the people who attended the meeting made their wishes known by their vote. That is democracy in action. I believe what we observed at the meeting was a backlash caused by utter frustration with government whether federal, state or local. Nothing seems to happen, just a lot of talk. People are angry. This was an opportunity to get some action - NOW, RIGHT NOW! Unfortunately, when anger is focused on one particular goal, other equally as good as or better opportunities for all are overlooked - I would like to think unintentionally.

It was disappointing and unworthy of our town to discount the wishes of those who played by the rules and are taxpayers also, to deny them an opportunity to have their wishes respected. As selectmen it has nothing to do with whether we are for or against a particular issue, we represent all the citizens of the town. That is our charge and responsibility and we take it very seriously. The comment made by one individual that everyone knows about "death by committee" was unwarranted, misleading and inflammatory. I would like to point to the exhaustive and productive work done by the Conservation and Sign Ordinance Committees. Presently we have the Recreational Committee, which has met four times in a very short period of time seeking places for various recreational opportunities which will be presented to the selectmen and then put before the town. I hope at the next town meeting there will not be another rush to judgment, but rather a considered and thoughtful overview of possibilities for all. Everyone in our town deserves that consideration.

Selectman Pat Carter Bethel

THANKS FROM JADA'S FAMILY

To the Editor:

Your June 13 edition covered the heroic actions of a lady named Katie Casey and her friend Claude Muff. If not for their actions our family would be without a sweet little girl today. No words can describe the gratitude we have for Katie and Claude. We also want to thank the rescue personnel, Larry is the name Jada recalls; the fire department, the Norway Hospital, the Oxford County Sherriff's Department, The Bethel Inn and many others who helped out with their assistance and caring.

I would like to take this opportunity to warn other parents and caregivers about snorkels. Please make sure the one you purchase will not allow them to breath in water. The one Jada had said for 4-plus and had no safety valve. One by the same company that had the safety valve was for 10-plus. Jada took in water and essentially drowned. Thank God for the angels who were present and brought her back.

Great-grandmother Mary Lee Rounds

Albion

THANKS TO THE EMTS

To the Editor:

On behalf of J. Kenneth Scott and his family, I want to thank the Bethel EMTs who responded to the emergency at his house last Thursday. EMTs Nate Robins and Dan Glick were professional, efficient, and competent in their responses and actions in every way in an extremely critical situation. The decisions to call for a second team from PACE and arrange the Life Flight connection were quick and pivotal. Each team worked diligently and efficiently to save a life. We are profoundly grateful to every person involved.

Janice Kendrick and the Scott family, Bryant Pond

DONATE TO THE ROTARY AUCTION

To the Editor:

On Saturday, June 29, the Rotary Club of Bethel will be sponsoring its 26th Annual Yard Sale and Auction at Telstar High School. The Yard Sale will begin at 8 a.m. and continue throughout the day. The preview for the auction starts at 5:30 p.m., followed by the auction at 6:30 p.m. sharp. As always, it promises to be a lively event with hundreds of items and thousands of dollars-worth of gift certificates from local merchants.

In the past, this auction has successfully raised funds for scholarships, senior citizen activities and other community related projects. Businesses or individuals interested in making a donation to this worthwhile event are encouraged to send their donations to the address listed below. Individuals wishing to donate items to the auction may call to arrange for pickup at 653-9297.

This year, the Rotary Club is again inviting interested individuals to consider donating "big ticket" items such as cars, snowmobiles, etc., with a percentage of the final price going to the club and the remainder going back to the donor.

The Bethel Rotary Club has been fortunate to enjoy the overwhelming support of the community for many years. That level of support has been deeply appreciated. We hope you will join us on June 29 for another exciting event.

Bruce Powell, President

WAKE UP ON DEMOCRATS' POLICIES

To the Editor:

Don Chase must have spent a fortnight constructing all those superfluous adjectives in his letter of June 13, denouncing Richard Grover's analysis of Obama and his administration's endangering this nation in more ways than Carter has liver pills.

Under the Democrats, this country is recovering economically and jobs are coming back?

Tell that to the thousands of workers around the country being furloughed for weeks on end while their employers' firms await diminishing orders for the products produced. The national debt is triple what it was six years ago – but that's Obama's doing, not the Republicans.

Bin Laden may be dead, but his soldiers continue with their anti-Christian jihad missions, some seemingly invited by the current administration and kowtowed to, as exemplified by restricting Navy Chaplains from saying the name "Jesus" in sermons, and military members are now subject to immediate discipline if overheard mentioning one's Christian faith to another. Yet an Army officer of Muslim faith, shouting "Allah Akbar," killed fellow soldiers at Fort Hood in 2009, and still hasn't been to a court's martial, and continues drawing full pay and allowances.

I agree this nation's infrastructure is crumbling, not by Republican appointees, but through chipping hammers wielded by Obama, his czars, and an unknowing Democratic Party.

Obama and Biden want total gun control. Back in 1935, a European fellow said, "This year will go down in history. For the first time, a civilized nation has full gun registration and streets are safer." Then police came for the Jews, Gypsies, gays, and anyone else deemed a threat to his dictatorship. We all know his chosen name.

Mr. Grover and I have not been sleeping, Mr. Chase, and I suggest you be one of those you're telling to wake up.

John R. Davis South Paris

Celladore

'Making trails'

The mountain is no longer a quiet, isolated place. Hunters in jeeps can go over many of the new logging roads now that trucks are used instead of horses. Bottle hunters have dug over the old cellar holes. Snowmobiles race by in wintertime and motor scooters break the summer stillness. They are courteous and slow down when they see a horse and rider, and I try to feel what I intellectually believe, that each is entitled to his own choice of fun.

We are still searching for one more trail. Besides the old county north-south road, there is another going in the same direction at the eleven hundred foot contour level. From this we have a short hiking trail which leads to three lookout rocks. From the first one you can look down and see the village, enclosed in a circle of mountains, always a reminder not to let your own life get too encircled. From the second rock you can look across the green Intervale by the river and up to Old Speck and Saddleback mountains. From the third one, there is a sharp decline, almost like the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia. Below is a wooded bowl between our ridge and Chandler Hill. No sign of our trail across it shows. Beyond is the main road where cars look as small as bees. In the distance can be seen just a shimmer of the water of a lake. Hawks soar in the sky.

We really are searching for two trails. One is a way to get the horses up to the top lookout rock. The other trail would go across the top spine of the mountain and over to Swan Hill. I usually see this mountain from on foot or from the back of a horse. On the rare occasions when I view it from a car, it looks like a long rectangular bread pan turned upside down. All the gullies, ledges, brooks and trails are hidden from sight, another reminder to always look beyond the obvious, to remember that there is more to see everywhere if we really explore and look in a new way. After we find these two trails, there will still be a wilderness to the north. Maybe, if we live long enough, we will even get to the back of the north wind.

Danna Brown Nickerson

10 years ago: Sally and Paul Bodwell celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at a family gather-

Stan and Sue Milton had recently opened the S. S. Milton restaurant in the location formerly occupied by Mother's on Main Street.

Deaths: George M. Ladd, Glynn A. Witter, Harry F. Ellingwood, Nicholas P. Murphy.

20 years ago: More than 750 cyclists left Sunday River Ski Resort on the three-day Sunday River to the Sea fundraiser for the Maine Lung Association.

The Bethel Library honored Trustees Emeriti, Ed Vachon, Louise Lincoln, and Madeline Gibbs at its volunteer reception.

Birth: Jean Phoenix Irons McLaughlin.

Deaths: R. Glenn Mur-

phy, Naomi K. Bean. 30 years ago: Jeri Brooks was elected President of the American Legion Auxiliary Department of Maine.

Nearly 100 Kimballs from Maine gathered at the Moses Mason House for the Maine Kimball Family Reunion.

Birth: Janelle Marie Mitchell.

Death: Carson D. Mar-

40 years ago: No significant damage was reported when a 4.4 earthquake jostled the Bethel area the evening of June 14.

David Luxton and crew had recently finished painting the Sudbury Inn York blue with white trim. Birth: Robert Joseph Keoskie.

Death: Mrs. Erna G. Adams.

50 years ago: Rev. and Mrs. Richard Hamilton and Susan, who were leaving to make their home in South Portland, were nonored at an all-family parish supper at the Methodist Church.

The Bethel Jaycees Teen Council sponsored a teen dance at the Community Room.

Deaths: Oscar D. Maki, Mrs. Annette Baker Jarvi. 60 years ago: Shirley M. Bartlett, 18, was one of 10 4-H members from the U.S. selected to appear on a coast-to-coast television program on the NBC-TV network.

The Bethel village primary grades enjoyed their annual picnic at the Crescent Park School grounds. Deaths: Mrs. Ella E. Em-

ery, Mrs. Annetta Brinck, Mrs. Helen K. Poland, Stephen E. Stearns. 70 years ago: Notice for

a second special Corporation meeting to consider again the question of alterations to the lower hose company buildings was posted.

A service flag containing 26 stars honoring the boys in the service from Mason and West Bethel was hung in Head's Store, West Bethel.

80 years ago: Bethel schools graduated 25 students from the eighth grade. Exercises were held in the William Bingham Gymnasium.

Hay was very light due to dry and cold weather. Miss Electa Chapin graduated from Farmington

State Teachers College. Deaths: Willard B. Wight, Henry Howe. George Hobson.

90 years ago: Mrs. Daisy Morton was operating a tea room at Screw Auger Falls.

Mrs. G. N. Sanborn was a delegate from Brown WRC to the WRC convention in Augusta.

100 years ago: Rev. J. H. Little attended the 50th anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg.

A party consisting of H. C. Rowe, Rev. W. C. Curtis, Harold Rich, Carroll Valentine, and Charles Tuell took a trip across the Presidential Range.

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another year while the committee worked wasn't necessary.

He' said that as a state legislator, he knows what "death by committee" means.

"At some point we need to do something," he said. "We can't sit on our hands and do nothing."

Loretta Holt said she would favor a dog park on donated private land, but public land "should be about our children, our community and our aging citizens. Our children have got to come first."

She also said one of her relatives had wondered about the need for a dog park, commenting 'this whole town is a dog park."

Jackie Cressy worried about the hig picture

about the big picture.
She said that without an overall plan, Davis Park could end up with "something here, something

there," likening the progression to the evolution of a strip mall.

Selectman Don Bennett said he had misgivings about the appropriateness of the site, located behind Dunkin Donuts on Route 2, for either facility.

After Bennett's comments Wheeler said it was time to move forward with the basketball court – a project for which he said he had been seeking a site

for some time.

"This didn't just pop up, I've been looking for over four years now." he said

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At the end of the meeting Edie Okenquist, a member of the Recreational Facilities Committee, moved to reconsider the article that would have allowed selectmen to accept funds toward a multiple-facility plan.

But the motion failed.

Grads

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and he urged the class to be persistent in life.

Third honors student Kevin Annis praised the class for the bond members developed particularly during their senior year. "Embrace new changes but never forget the memories made," he said.

He added, "Taking a risk is scary, but we can benefit from taking more of them. Facing your fears is far more rewarding than staying in your comfort zone. Harness that fear, and own it."

Classmates Davis, James and Gabrielle Conrad then offered the traditional "Reflections" – snippets of memories from throughout their SAD 44 school years. Among them: huge cookies at CPS; the corner seat in the library; sliding down a hill at recess; wood chips in your shoes at recess; gym sleepovers; a teacher's pet snake; Boston field trips; a student getting stuck in a desk and metal detectors.

The class also heard from special guest speaker, Poet Richard Blanco, who earlier this year read his original poem "One Today" at President Barack Obama's second inauguration.

Blanco told the Telstar gathering that in some ways, preparing for Friday's speech was more nervewracking than speaking before a national audience, "for a good reason. This is community this is home, this is family. It makes it a little more personal."

He said that before each of his public speaking engagements he tries to tune in to his "inner voice" to help him say the right things.

But on this occasion, he said, "it's not just my voice that's important. My job up here is to have our graduating students listen to their own voice."

That does not mean the voice of everyday chatter and "the noise of the

world," he said, but "the voice of your soul." Blanco said that voice can help answer some big questions, such as "What are your dreams?" "What are you most scared of?" "What do you truly love?" "Where is home?"

He told the class in the months and years ahead "you will have fewer people like your teachers and parents telling you what you should and shouldn't do, and yet ironically, you will suddenly be bombarded with more choices than ever before."

He cited poet Robert Frost's analogy that life will become more "like playing tennis without a net - meaning that those boundaries, that net which up until now has been put up by others, for the most part, will start to come down, and while this means greater freedom, fewer rules, more choices, it will also mean you will have to start setting those boundaries, those nets, for yourself."

To do those things, he said, the graduates will have to "get in touch with your inner voice and rely on it as your guide ... Cultivate that inner voice .. invite it to speak up in, and through, and for you ... know that it will save you, always."

The class was awarded diplomas by Supt. Dave Murphy, SAD 44 board Chair Elaine Cross and Principal Dan Hart. In another traditional practice, each student handed Hart an object in return for the diploma. This year it was a bag of candy.

The ceremony closed with Dean of Students Charles Raymond reminding the classmates to take care of each other for a few more days, in order to stay safe as they celebrated their graduation.

The class then traveled to Windham and Portland for Project Graduation activities.



TOWN MEETING DEBATE Clockwise, from top: Bethel voters defeat a proposed dog park for Davis Park; Abbie Goldberg speaks in favor of a "tar sands" resolution: Bud Kulik explains why he circulated a petition for a revote on "tar sands" as selectmen listen; Portland-Montreal Pipe Line President/CEO Larry Wilson asks for the floor (unlike a January meeting, this time he was able to speak).

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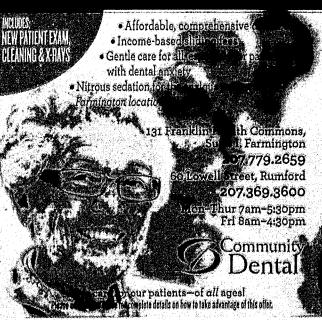
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The object of the hunt is to decipher a series of clues and locate the medallion, which will be hidden on public land somewhere within a 30-minute drive of Bethel

Clues, each different and increasingly site-specific, will be published once a week for six weeks in The Bethel Citizen. Clues will also be available on Saturdays on our website bethelcitizen.com or on our Facebook page. This year Mollyockett Days take place on July 20 & 21. The first clue will be published in The Citizen's June 13 edition, the last in the edition of July 18. If the medallion is found prior to July 18, the find will be announced as soon as possible in The Citizen's online (bethelcitizen.com) and print editions.

If the medallion is not found by 10 a.m. on Saturday, July 20, the hunt will be terminated. If it is found, the cash prize of \$300 will be presented later that day in the gazebo on the Bethel Common.

Treasure-Hunt Rules

Anyone is eligible to join the thrilling hunt except past winners, employees and immediate family members of Sun Media Group, and contest sponsors or partners. To claim the prize money, you must be 18 years or older.

The finder of the Mollyockett Treasure Hunt medallion must immediately return the medallion to The Bethel Citizen office at 19 Main Street, Bethel (behind the town office), or call (207) 824-2444 for instructions.

The medallion is made of aluminum and is approximately two inches in diameter. It is generally hidden in or attached to something else. The medallion is not buried below ground, searchers do not need to destroy property to find it, this includes digging up the ground. We reserve the right to discontinue the hunt at any time if public property is destroyed.

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Medallion (not actual size

The winner grants permission for The Bethel Citizen to use his or her name, photograph, voice, and/or likeness for advertising and/or publicity.

Bethel voters hold the budget line

By ALISON ALOISIO

Bethel voters turned a potential 9.4 percent tax hike into a nearly breakeven budget bottom line last week with a combination of cuts and account transfers.

A total of 188 voters turned out for the meeting, which lasted two and one-half hours.

A Capital Improvements proposal, most of it for roadwork, was reduced from \$815,000 to \$569,500. The reductions included \$180,500 for Chapman Street work Town Manager Jim Doar said could not be done this year; \$25,000 for Cole Block improvements; and \$40,000 that would have been raised privately for the dog park, which was turned down.

The only one generating discussion was the Cole Block funds, which selectboard Chair Stan Howe has championed for the purpose of preserving and using the upstairs of the old building.

The town office is on the first floor.

Howe noted the town has already spent money for a new pellet boiler and a new roof for the building, and said it would be wise

to continue investing in it. But others disagreed, noting there is little parking available around the structure and it would require extension renovation to make the upstairs handicapped-accessible.

Said Rick Whitney, "It's a waste of money."

The vote was 56-30 to remove the \$25,000 from the budget.

But voters were willing to add smaller amounts to an article for contributions to nonprofit organizations and activities.

Allen Connors, managing partner of the Bethel Inn, made a motion to add \$2,000 to pay for Independence Day fireworks, which are fired from inn prop-

The town has appropriated money for the event in the past.

Connors said that this year, the inn had been "misled" to believe that the funds would be raised privately, but "the person in charge of doing that failed to do so, and basically he washed his hands of it," Connors said.

He was asked if the fireworks would be on July 4th or on the weekend.

He said it would be Sat-

urday, July 6, noting that in the past when fireworks took place midweek attendance was "just horrible." Voters approved the

funds. But the approval prompted criticism from Peter Mason, who noted that under the same article, only \$200 was recommended to go toward the Telstar High **School Project Graduation**

Mason said it was "pretty pathetic" that the town would raise only \$200, "but we spend \$2,000 for 10 minutes of fireworks. I think our priorities are in the wrong place."

Jane Ryerson then offered an amendment to add another \$800, and it was approved. The overall article then totaled \$58,876.

Residents further lowered their tax bills by voting to take \$250,000 from the Undesignated Fund Balance to reduce the tax commitment. The overall budget was reduced by \$242,700 to \$3,377,136.

Other money articles on the warrant were approved.

The currently mil rate of 11.65 will rise to an estimated 11.90, Doar said.

SAD 44 to get \$1 million in grant help next year

By ALISON ALOISIO

The SAD 44 administration got some news it was hoping for last week; the district has been invited to join a \$25 million, fiveyear ongoing federal/state grant program that focuses on school environment, educator evaluation, professional growth and data management.

One of four Maine school districts that began the program "Maine Schools of Excellence, Teacher incentive Fund" last fall dropped out and SAD 44 has been approved by the Department of Education to take its place.

Supt. Dave Murphy told the School Board Monday there is not yet an exact budget for the district. "but I will estimate that between now and the end of next June we will receive \$1 million.'

The K-12 effort will be directed by a to-be-hired project director, and will also include such resources as teacher leaders, facilitators, technology support (including up to 20 iPads, video equipment and training), assessment, professional development, student and parent involvement/surveys, support from outside agencies

and travel costs. The program includes financial incentives for school staff for meeting certain goals. The funding will also pay for substitute teachers to allow staff to observe each other's teaching methods.

Murphy said to qualify for the program schools must have more than 50 percent of the student population financially eligible for free or reduced hot lunch. He said that means some districts might have one school eligible and another one not. But in SAD 44, all five schools qualify. "One of the reasons we looked very attractive to this grant is because we'll be able to tackle this with our entire district," he said.

Because the district is joining the program in the second year, there will be a need to play catchup, he said, but some funding will be provided for that as well. And, said Murphy, there will be an opportunity to learn from and collaborate with other districts in the program.

Teacher training will be-

gin this summer, he said.

He also said it would be important to build sustainability into the program for when the funding ends, to at least preserve the most important pieces. Woodstock Director

Marcel Polak echoed that theme. "I think it's going to be critical to move ahead on our own," he said, citing ongoing efforts at Tel-

star, such as a dual enrollment program with Central Maine Community College. "We are going to be on our own afterwards, and it's really up to us with our own resources. This is going to be very supportive."

The School Board then voted unanimously to join the program.

Among other agenda items, Maintenance Supervisor Ron Deegan updated the board on progress of the Telstar energy and air quality project and directors approved the vote totals from the June 11 district budget validation referendum.

The board also said goodbye to Andover Director Keith Smith, who is retir-

Bike Trek cyclist killed in Hanover

Sun Media Wire

The start of the threeday, 180-mile Trek Across Maine was marred last Friday by a fatal crash on Route 2 in Hanover Vil-

The victim was identified as David LeClair, 23, of Watertown, Mass.

LeClair was riding with his employer's team, athenahealth of Watertown, Mass., as part of the Trek when he was struck by the rear of a tractor-trailer as it passed him around 8:45 a.m. He was killed instant-

State Police said the cyclist likely lost his bal-

ance while riding with one hand on the handlebars as he sipped from his water bottle. He died of head in-

juries. The tractor-trailer was driven by Michael Masse-Defresne, 24, of Quebec, according to police.

State police Lt. Walter Grzyb said Monday charges are unlikely.

The truck, hauling corn feed from Colebrook, N.H., to Augusta, was stopped by police in Rumford. The driver told police he

had not noticed anything when he passed through Hanover. Grzyb said the truck and

the log books were inspect-

ed and everything seemed to be in order.

The accident occurred as the truck and the cyclists were heading down a straightaway into a curve between the Mill Hill Road intersection and Gordie Howe's Store. The speed limit drops from 55 mph to 40 mph there and the travel lane shortens in width.

Additionally, the breakdown lane tilts toward the guardrail.

More than 2,000 bicyclists left Sunday River Friday to start the threeday event that ended Sunday in Belfast. The ride is a fundraiser for the American Lung Association.

The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

As I've gotten older I have so often thought of my younger years when aging was something that happened to my parents, but couldn't touch me.

I've replayed in my mind the good times of new adventures and boundless energy. I remember so clearly when I had peaches and cream skin and all my own teeth.

When I go through my photo album and look at the pictures of myself in my 20's I think, "Wow, I was her once upon a time!"

Now I feel a little sad that what once was isn't anymore. I can live with the fact that I don't look like I did 40 years ago; though I do think I was pretty hot back in the day. And even if I'm not as hot as that young woman in the pictures there must still be some resemblance to her because just the other day an old classmate who I haven't seen since high school recognized who I was.

What bothers me is not how I look, though I would love to be several pounds lighter; what bothers me is everything I've lost along the way to Senior Citizenland.

I was once a very energetic person. I held down two jobs. raised two kids, did the housework and still, when time allowed, had the energy to play. I was like the Energizer

bunny; I just kept on going.

Now I work a parttime job, my kids are grown; I ignore the housework most of the time and have plenty of time to play. I just don't have to energy to do so.

The young woman in the photo album that resembles me was pretty agile too. She could scamper up a ladder like it was nothing at all. She could jump rope with her daughter,

I ignore the housework most of the time and have plenty of time to play. I just don't have to energy to do so.

go bike riding and feel

great. This older woman can't even get down on her knees to weed the garden without considerable pain. If I attempted to climb a ladder, jump rope or ride a bike it would become a medical emergency.

My memory started going south several years ago and has been picking up speed ever since. Though I can remember that young, hot, energetic, agile women in the photo album very well, I can't remember what I had

for breakfast. It's a good thing I only work part-time because I spend a lot of time trying to remember what

it is I'm planning to do when I'm not working. I write Post-it notes to myself and stick them on the refrigerator and computer just to remind myself to cook a meal or write a column.

Then there's the vision issue. The sweet young thing in the photo album had 20/20 vision. She could read the small print on overthe-counter medicines. She could spot someone she knew quite a distance away.

I, on the other hand, don't even bother with small print and I have to pretty much get in someone's face to see who they are... and that's wearing double vision glasses.

I had to sew something the other day and when I opened my sewing kit I was overcome with joy when I found a needle already threaded with the right color thread. I would have gotten down on my knees in thanksgiving, but it would have been too painful. A severely drunk person can do a much better job walking a straight line than I can do trying to thread a needle.

Like I said, I can live with the fact that I no longer look like that hot young woman in the photo album, but the way I see it, it would be wonderful if I could just have a little of her energy, agility, memory and vision. I would consider that to be pretty darn hot!

Vintage automobiles, fashions sought for Bethel Inn 100th

The July 6 celebration nual Bethel Art Fair (on of the Bethel Inn's 100th anniversary will include cars and fashions from that era, and the Mahoosuc Arts Council is hoping locals will volunteer their items for a parade and show.

Auto enthusiasts and clubs are invited to put in an application for the "Through the Ages" car parade and show at 3 p.m. Vehicles that have been restored, modified or are in original condition, representing one of the decades in the past century are eligible.

The parade will travel Main Street and end with cars parked on the Bethel Inn lawn's during the anthe Common).

Ribbons will be awarded for winners in various categories through the decades. The winning vehicles will be parked in front of the inn until 8 p.m.

There is a limit of 50 vehicles for the parade.

The fashion show - "Ten Decades of Western Maine Styles" - will take place at the inn from 6 to 8 p.m.

The show will feature one outfit from each decade of the inn's history, for both men and women. Items may include flapper wedding dresses, leather waders, fish-basket back packs, ball gowns, go-go boots, platform shoes, bell bottoms, huge shoulder pads, vamp tailoring, Art Deco handbags, 70's golf caps and more.

MAC is also building an exhibit of vintage items which will be on display at the fashion show. For that display they are seeking vintage golf and fishing gear, ladies hats and gloves, and accessories such as perfume bottles

and handbags. Awards will also be handed out at that show.

Other activities related to the inn's celebration include a street dance, art walk, art snows works.

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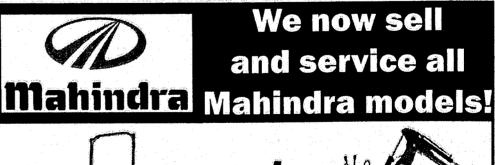
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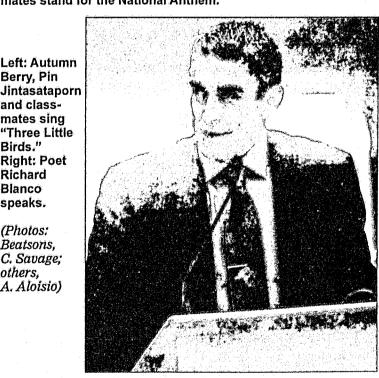
Carlee Beatson gives her dad, Doug, a rose at the beginning of Commencement.



Casey Waterhouse, Mtchell Sabins, Brandon Behan and classmates stand for the National Anthem.

Berry, Pin Jintasataporn and classmates sing Three Little Birds." Right: Poet Richard Blanco speaks.

(Photos: Beatsons, C. Savage; others, A. Aloisio)



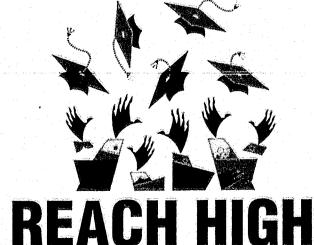
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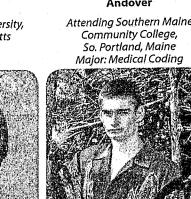
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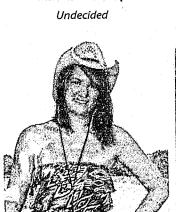
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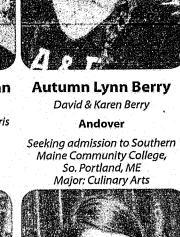
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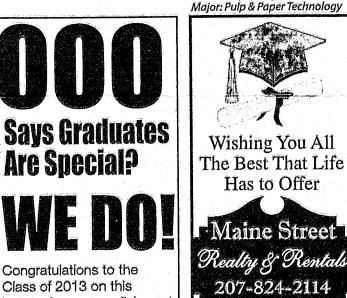
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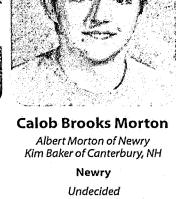
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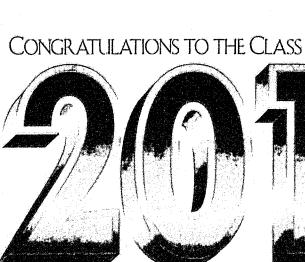


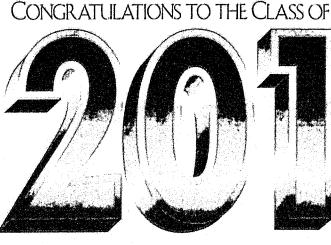
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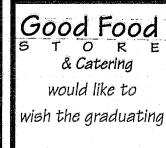
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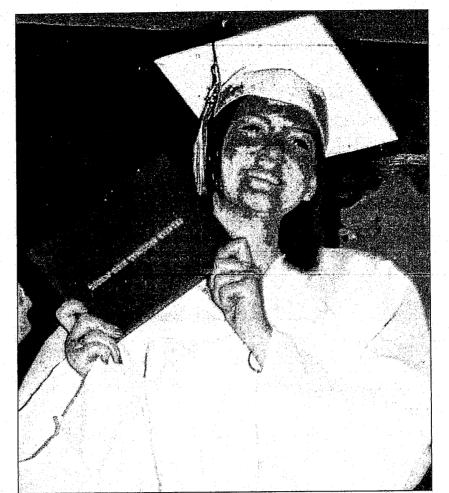
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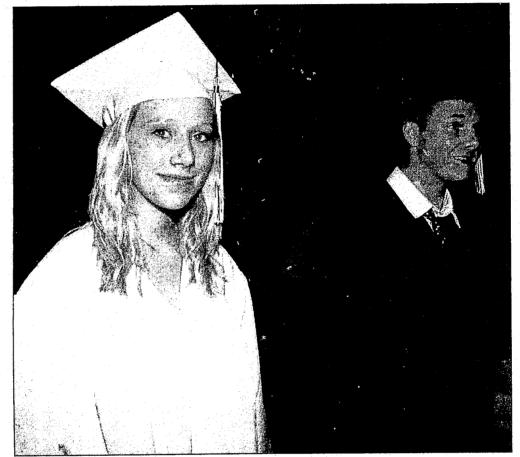
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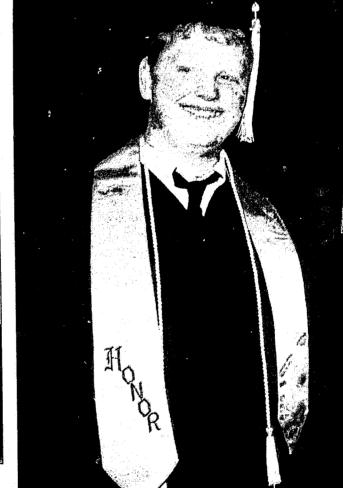
Corey Coolidge Chase with her diploma.



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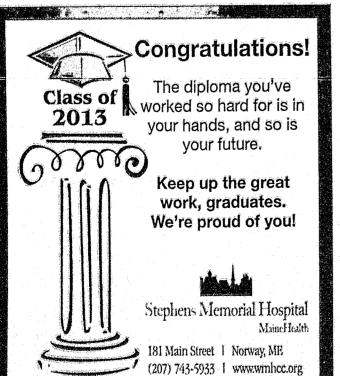
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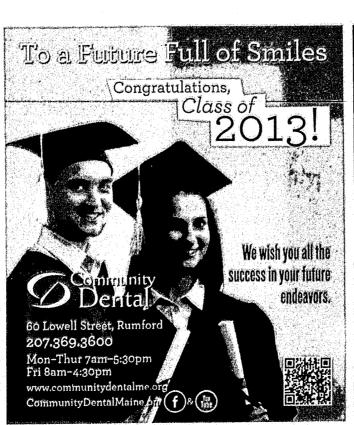
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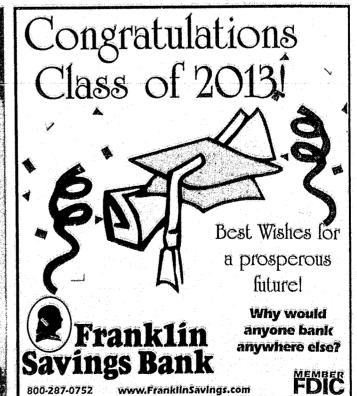


Tabitha Corriveau.

(Photos: Above and three boys, T. Brown; others, A. Aloisio)







OCSD Patrol Log

Tuesday, June 11

At 1:19 p.m. a subject on Church Street in Woodstock reported an attempted burglary at a seasonal residence, Deputy Mike Dailey was assigned.

Wednesday, June 12

At 6:33 p.m. Deputy Peter Casey caught a Hanover resident drinking in public in Newry. The case is under investigation.

At 1:17 p.m. Deputy Sullivan Rizzo was flagged down by business manager on Mayville Road in Bethel and asked to move along an intoxicated person. He did.

At 2:02 p.m. Deputy Sullivan Rizzo responded to Mayville Road in Bethel for a two-vehicle crash with no injuries.

At 2:31 p.m. Deputy Sullivan Rizzo responded to Railroad Street in Bethel for a report of a gas theft.

At 8:26 p.m. Deputy Peter Casey warned a local subject for disorderly conduct in a Mayville parking lot in Bethel. The subject had been drinking.

At 10:39 p.m. Deputy Peter Csey investigated a civil littering case on Mayville Road in Bethel. A suspect had been identified.

Thursday, June 13

At 11:01 a.m. Deputies Josh Wyman and Andy Whitney received drug information in the Bethel

At 11:47 a.m. Deputies Josh Wyman and Andy Whitney and Lt. Tom Harriman responded to the West Bethel Road in Bethel for a report of an assault. The incident was under investigation.

Friday, June 14

At 1:39 a.m., on Mechanic Street in Bethel Sgt. Tim Ontengco and Cpl. Chris Davis arrested Kurt Bailey for disorderly conduct for offensive actions against the officers and another subject.

At 10:11 a.m. Deputy Sullivan Rizzo responded to the East Bethel Road for excessive traffic due to a fatal accident on Route 2. A caller had reported large trucks traveling with excessive speed, but they were not speeding.

Saturday, June 15

At 7:22 a.m. an 18-year-old driver fell asleep while driving on Route 35 in Albany. The vehicle went off the road and into a boggy area. The driver was uninjured.

At 10:20 a.m. on Route 2 in Gilead Deputy George Cayer conducted a traffic stop that resulted in three civil traffic violations (no insurance, unregistered vehicle and failure to display an approved registration plate).

At 8:10 p.m. a caller reported an intoxicated driver in the Bethel area. Cpl. George Cayer responded and there was no contact, but the case was under investigation because a subject had been identified.

Sunday, June 16

At 9:53 a.m. on the North Road in Gilead a motorcyclist crashed avoiding a moose. The biker was taken to the hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

Monday, June 17

At 4:13 a.m. Deputy Mike Dailey found a broken window on the Walkers Mills Road in Bethel. A keyholder was contacted.

At 9:30 a.m. a subject on Railroad Street in Bethel reported feeling threatened by another subject. Deputy Mike Dailey was assigned.

At 9:37 a.m. a Bethel caller reported damage done to an underground propane station after it was struck by a car. Deputy Mike Dailey was assigned.



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Tar sands

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information to be concerned and keep the resolution in place.

Cressy said he had struggled with how to vote, but two key points convinced him: the age of the pipe that is in the ground, and the potential effect of a spill.

"I believe it's important for this town that depends on its environment - the rivers, the forest - the town that we value. Let's be safe rather than sorry."

In a bit of irony, near the end of last week's debate Newry resident Ken Hotopp, a leading resolution proponent who had spoken at the meeting in January, asked for the floor.

Bethel



Town Meeting Our Congress met last week. hun-One dred eighty-

eight voters signed in. According to the registrars the record for attendance is 216 in 1983.

Issues and their respective constituencies drew a crowd. Besides the keepthe-budget down and minimum regulation group, there were the pro and con oil sands in Portland Pipe Line groups (discussed from 7:15 to 8:04), the dog park pro and con groups, basketball pro and con groups and the various town committee chairs and members.

The various daily news media have already informed us about dog park: no; basketball court: yes; and another yes: rescind the no-oil-sands-through-Bethel resolution; and some related budget cuts. To me the important vote was on Article 4: which would have authorized the selectmen to decide what was "to be in the best interest of the Town" re: recreational facilities.

That language goes beyond the selectmen's charter to carry out the will of the "Congress." When it turned out that there

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Because he was not a resident, a two-thirds majority of voters needed to vote to give him permission to speak.

They didn't.

Later in the week group member Seabury Lyon was asked if they would pursue another resolution.

He said the group will look at various options.

"Tar sands opposition is very much alive in Bethel as it is in many hundreds of American communities," he said. "Like it or not, we're all in this together and it's vitally important that we seek and act on the very best information available."

would be no town meeting to vote on recommendations of the Recreational Facilities Committee, the red flag was waved and the bulls charged with a "No" vote.

Quote of the evening: "The whole town is a dog park."

New House -Old House

On the Barker Road, a new house is going up location: the former Adrian Grover farm, known to old time summer boarders as the Maple Lane Farm. Rupert and Suzanne Grover recently acquired the homestead property from Nina and Michael Wheel-The new house being

built by Schiavi Home Builders sits on the original farm house site and next to the 1858 barn which stays. Making the transition even more attractive, the new owners will have a swimming pool, installed years ago already in place for them. A roadside patch of young maples has been thinned producing a beautiful scenic view to the casual passerby.

Nina has given me a few memorable stories about the old farm house. First, it had a three-holer for workmen at the farm and - five for adults and two small ones for children.

In recent years the Wheelers had boarders

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from Chile staying at the old farm house while employed at Sunday River Ski Area, Twelve stayed at the farm winters for two years while the Mountain Explorer shuttle operated into West Bethel; after the shuttle service ended, boarders could not stay there and get to work daily. Nina said she enjoyed taking the Chilean visitors to Portland and Old Orchard, giving them a chance to see "cosmopoli-

tan" Maine. During the 1890s, Edward Grover owned the farm and summer news usually included a note that the Maple Lane Farm was filled with summer board-

Old House plus **New House**

On the North Road in Mayville, between the Mason house and the Mason dental clinic, Jeanne Rahilly who a number of years ago had purchased the former Sweetser home, has added a two story addition to the original house. It has a two-car garage on the ground level and a large living room with two bedrooms and a study on the second floor. Builder is Tadd Truman working for Turn Key Homes of Maine in Oxford. When the main new building is finished, Ms. Rahilly will have the small garage building torn down.

Jeanne has a new Maine license plate on her car, having just moved permanently to Bethel from North Reading, Mass. She told me that some time ago her brother had owned a place on Twitchell Pond which helped her decide on finding a place in the Bethel area.

The History Club Bridge Street and Environs - 20th Anniversary of Pauline P. Davis's history

article. With Pauline (Polly) Davis having just retired from the Citizen's employ, readers should know that she wrote a detailed ad-

dition to Bethel history in 1993, with a very comprehensive article, "Bethel's Bridge Street/Cross Street/Riverside Lane: A History," was published in the summer 1993 issue of the Bethel Historical Society Courier.

It is probably the most complete history of this part of Bethel ever compiled and published.

Her work includes some names from my early days of living in Bethel - Mrs. Peterkin (Polly's grandmother) and Frank Boyker.

Polly writes that the Peterkin farm buildings were on the land later occupied by the U.S. Forest Service. The Peterkin's built a 100-foot barn with silo and many storage sheds, kept a herd of 50 to 60 cows, and peddled milk, butter and eggs, with milk at 8 cents a quart in 1932.

After Eldon Peterkin died in 1940 his wife kept some of the cows. After we moved to Bethel in 1945, my father bought Mrs. Peterkin's surplus milk. So I had a chance to visit the farm often to pick up the Peterkin cans of milk.

Another familiar name to me was Frank Boyker. Polly writes during the 1940s Frank Boyker owned a camp (in the vicinity of today's Rite Aid area) and peddled meat and eggs throughout the area.

I visited Frank quite often as he bought our bull calves to raise for veal. He was a very sociable, talkative person and I enjoyed my visits with him. He had large flowing eyebrows, piercing eyes and a face that would make a dramatic, unforgettable piece of sculpture.

More names from only 20 years ago are Java House, Red Top Truck Stop, Rhea Lu's China Gem, and in 1993, the Bottle and Bag.

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Bethel



Satur-On day, June 15. participated in the Relay for Life at Gouin Athletic Field in

South Paris.

annual events These across the country raise money for the American Cancer Society. Unlike some fundraisers, more than 80 percent of the money raised and sent to the American Cancer Society goes into education about cancer, research, and to help those suffering from cancer, not to administrative and staff expenses.

The event in Norway raised more than \$47,400. There were 305 people and 31 teams participating. My team, Charles's Angeles, raised \$2.210. We had five people who participated in the all-night event. Fortyeight cancer survivors attended the Survivor's Dinner before the relay began and kicked off the event by walking two laps around the track.

International Music Day is June 21. This event started thirty years ago in Europe as a celebration of summer solstice, the first day of summer. The Parisbased Fete de la Musique encourages performers to fill the streets and parks with music to ring in the new season. Celebrations take place in cities internationally, including Paris, Berlin, London, New York, and Chicago.

For the first time, this year Portland is participating in National Music Day on June 21. All events are free and will take place from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. in venues throughout the city. If you want to perform (everyone and every genre is welcome), or if you just want to enjoy the performances, information is available at www. makemusicportland.org.

Snapping turtles seem to be out in abundance along the roadways. Snapping turtles mate starting in April and in June and July the females are looking for places to lay their eggs. These turtles live in fresh and brackish water helps conceal them, but they need to lay their eggs on dry land. Because of human development and destruction of the turtles'

native habitat, they sometimes have to travel long distances to find safe places to lay their eggs. That is why we see them cruising along the roadsides or attempting to cross the roads. Please watch out for them and let them find their way safely.

If you have news to share, please e-mail me at brownnancy1950@gmail.com, or call me at 824-2483.

${\it East~Bethel}$



This past week feels like one of those weeks, which just kind of flew

Arlene has been taking advantage of the nice weather, going on nice long walks and getting some mowing done, trying to beat the rain.

Congratulations to Roger Zimmerman, He graduated from The Maine Master Naturalist Program. His daughter Heather is working hard and his wife Lynn is working hard in the garden.

Neil gave me another update on the Black Flies. At this time they have 14 wins and two losses. Way to go Team, we are all rooting for you.

Neil's oldest grandson, who is a freshman, made the All-Conference Baseball Team. Congratulations. Neil also told me that he had supper with the governor and his wife. The dinner was hosted by Suzanne and Rupert Gro-

I still would like to congratulate all the graduates in the neighborhood. Please, call me at 824-3220 or e-mail han@megalink.

In closing, I would like to say thank you to all who came and made our Anniversary Sale at the Inn-Side Shop a great success.

Enjoy your week. Alder River Grange

Alder River Grange had a regular meting June 14 with seven members and one visitor present. They gained a new member by affiliation as well.

Election of officers with lots of vegetation that held with this result: Master: Ruby Bryant; Overseer: James Haines: Lecturer: Ruby Bryant; Steward: Alvin Stevens; Assistant Steward: Nina Molli-

Andover By JANE RICH



A reminder that the continuing Family Ballgame Nights at the field next to Mills' Market will take place on

June 26 and July 11. There will be a variety of games for different ages including tee ball, Whiffle ball or softball hitting practice. Tennis rackets will be available for children. There is an adult outdoor volleyball program on Wednesday and Sunday evenings at 6 p.m. which began this past Sunday.

The Andover Selectboard meetings have changed location. On the first Tuesday of the month the board will meet at 7 p.m. in the Town Hall and on the second and third Tuesdays at 7 p.m. in the Town Office. The last Wednesday of the month is the Selectboard Workshop at the Town Office. No official business

cone; LA Steward: Diane is conducted at the workshops. It allows time for the board to review paperwork, mail and work on taxes together, which includes updating property transfers, map, lot changes which are a year-round ongoing project.

90TH BIRTHDAY- Richard Felt was recently feted by 200+ well-wishers to celebrate

his milestone birthday. Helping him celebrate were family members, front: Sharon Sil-

ver, Felt, and Jennifer Felt. Middle Diane Worcester, Valerie McLeod, Melinda Felt and

Catherine Strout. Back: Lindy Felt and Dexter Strout.

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If you're worried about increasing taxes, and who isn't? You can have an impact! Every time you recycle or compost, you are saving money by helping reduce costs at the Transfer Station. Recycling saves you tax money! Ask a Transfer Station Attendant or the Town Office for more information on how

to recycle. The Andover Transfer Station is looking for parttime fill in help - mostly Saturday mornings during the summer. Attendants must be 16 years or older. Spread the word. Applications can be filled out at the Town Office.

The Andover Withdrawal Committee continues to meet weekly on Sunday nights, 6 p.m., at the Library. They will also be meeting this evening, June 20, at the Library. David Belanger posts updates frequently at www. andover4kids.org - check

Sympathy is extended to the family of Maxine Dresser Thurston, who died last week in an automobile accident in Vermont. Maxine grew up in

Andover and visited here often staying at her family home on North Main Street. She always had a joke and laughter was, I think, her trademark. There will be a Celebration of the Life of Maxine on Saturday, June 22. at 2 p.m. at the First Congregational Church followed by a reception in the CEB.

(Photo: D. Rafford)

Locke's Mills



Despite the ban on fireworks in Greenwood, a few people are still setting

off fireworks. Town Manager Kim Sparks said she is sending letters to all offenders notifying them of the ban because non-residents may not be aware of the ban. If those people continue to set off fireworks after receiving the letter, Sparks said the Oxford County Sheriff's department will then be contacted.

There will be some toetapping fun in town this Sunday. Old time music will be performed by the Mountaineers Maniac Sunday, June 23 at 2 p.m. at the Locke's Mills Town Hall on Main St. This will benefit the Greenwood Historical Society, Bring your dance shoes, a cushion for your chair, and a few or a lot of bucks to throw in the kitty.

Greenwood artist Joanie Kintz is showing her art at the West Paris Library. The opening is tonight, Thursday, June 20, at 7 p.m. to meet and greet the artist. Joanie's work includes watercolors and etchings and will be on display there through early August.

The white pines have been dropping many of their needles this past week. Part of the needle drop is normal since pines keep their needles for only two or three years. Part may also be due to the effect fungi have on the pines. There was a large needle drop due to fungi in 2010 and 2011. No word yet on whether the needle drop we see now is normal or excessive.

The white water lilies and bog laurel are in bloom on the ponds now. While you can see the water lilies from the roadside, it usually takes paddling right along the water's edge to get a glimpse of the small pink laurel blooms.

Daisies are out in abundance in fields and along roadsides. A sure sign summer is here.

Summer literally is here as of Friday, June 21, 1:04 a.m. That is the summer solstice, often known as the "longest day of the year." It is when the northern end of the earth's axis is at its maximum tilt toward the sun. Despite being "closest" to the sun now, the summer solstice isn't the hottest day of the year as it takes a while for the atmosphere to warm up. It's similar to the fact that the hottest time of the day is mid-afternoon even though the sun is the highest at mid-day. We have hotter summer temps here in the Northern Hemisphere than in the Southern Hemisphere because we have more land mass and they have more water. Who would have thought. Please send news to 3ta-

ichi6@gmail.com.





The month of June turned has out to be a very busy month for us. Things

have been happening and we still have Friends and Family Day coming up this Saturday, June 22.

brother, Steve McLain, has finally got all of his garden planted. He knows that I enjoy flowers so he e-mailed a couple of pictures of the rose bush that he has in the front vard and some of the iris that have blossomed. Over the years, the rose has gone from more of a red color to lighter color of pink.

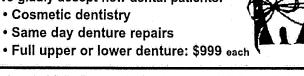
Lise McLain attended the Senior Club dinner that was held at the Legion Hall this past week. Steve and Lise McLain

are very proud of their granddaughter, Marina McLain, who recently graduated from high

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Cody recently went on an over-night stay with one of the volunteers from Responsible Pet Care. He was very much at home with her two dogs and her children. Cody would do well in just about any family situation.

Responsible Pet Care of Oxford Hills is a no-kill, non-profit shelter and adoption center for cats and dogs; and the holding area for stray dogs for 12 towns in Oxford County. The shelter has moved to a new location at 9 Swallow Road in Paris.

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school in Stavanger, Norway. Because of the distance, they were unable to attend, but sent best wishes to her, and good luck in her college experience this fall. They will be happy to have the family back in the United States and closer to Maine.

Happy Birthday wishes for the month of June go out to my brother, Steve McLain, and a couple of friends, Diane Bean and Louann Bell, also.

The only new bird to report this week is a Myrtle Warbler. He lit on the porch railing just long enough for us to be able to identify him.

Since Friends and Family Day is on June 22, and the Rotary Club yard sale/ auction is on June 29, I will be free to go to the yard sale this year.

As I mentioned, we have been busy so far this month. On Friday, June 14, I officially retired from my job at SAD 44 Adult and Continuing Education after 24 years. I was hoping to slip quietly away, but Jeanie Waite decided that there should be a small lunch with a few people from work and members of Western Mountains Senior College. By the time lunch was over, those few people numbered a little more than 25 people.

Last Sunday Tim came down to the house in the afternoon to give Hugh a hand with moving some items for the Gilead Historical Society. Sidney had just been to the hairdresser to get her hair done for her dance recital. That evening we attended Sidney's dance recital in Berlin, N.H. "Masquerade" was presented by the Emmanuel School of Dance. The students ranged from little beginners to the more advanced older students. They all did a wonderful job.

Gilead Historical Society Don't forget the Public Crockpot Potluck Lunch at 11 a.m. on Saturday, June 22, at the Town Hall. Hugh "Cubby" Swan will be the guest speaker at 1 p.m. and he will discuss his research on hobos in the early railroad era. The historic buildings will be open, too.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or email chapmal@ hotmail.com.

Hanover



After another period of wet weather the grass has responded as might expect-

ed. Lawns are good simulations of fields. All over town anyone can hear the roar of lawn mowers and the whine of grass trimmers. There are reports of deer browsing on lawns. Stanley Brown and his dog Molly like to walk in the woods. They like the peace and quiet and solitude as they travel about the forest. One day last week Molly had traveled some ahead of Stanley. It wasn't long before Stanley saw Molly coming back with a large bear right behind. Soon Stanley saw a cub bear near him. That would seem to be quite a situation. Stanley waved his arms and shouted. The bears departed after a while and Stanley and Molly were not any worse for wear.

Brian Worcester awoke several days ago with extreme pain in his knee. He went to Rumford Hospital where he was diagnosed with gout and a bacterial infection and needed immediate surgery. Brian was loaded into an ambulance for the trip to Central Maine Medical Center in Lewiston. During the night his surgery was completed and following further treatment he was expecting to go home.

The annual Bike Trek from Newry to Belfast completed its 180-mile trip during three days last weekend. Very unfortunately an accident involving a bicycle and a truck in Hanover resulted with the death of the bicyclist.

The local budget vote for the Regional School Unit 10 took place June 11. Ballot Clerks were Donna Worcester and Laird Bean. Clem Worcester served as Warden and Kelly Harrington was Election Clerk. The budget passed in Hanover, Workers pigged out on chop suey wonderfully cooked by Donna Worcester.

Rumford Grange 115 will Sunday, June 23, at the Rumford Center Grange Hall. The menu will be meatloaf with potatoes

and vegetables. Be sure to pick up your piece of pie. Coffee and other drinks will be served. The meal will start at noon and go until 1:30 p.m.

Upton



Father's Day breakfast at the Ladies Aid excellent. Their next sched-

uled breakfast is July 7. The widened and improved driveway at the Ladies Aid building makes access much better.

On Wednesday, June 12, Bob Croteau from Woonsocket, R.I., gave the Ladies a workshop on house plants. Carol Norman, Leslie Aron, Deborah Judkins, Cheryl Heald, and Charlotte Dominique attended. He delighted the Ladies with magazines on gardening and samples that he used as exhibits, then gave as gifts. The workshop ended with a luncheon which included two desserts made by Bob Croteau.

The Upton Historical Society will meet Sunday, June 23, at 1 p.m. at the school.

The Upton Planning Board will meet Friday, June 28, Upton Town Meeting is

set for Thursday, June 27, 7 p.m., at the school. Call 533-2010 or e-mail backstjoe@gmail.com with your news.

Waterford



It is late on Tues. morning, so this must quick. Dave and I just returned from

Port Jefferson, Long Island. N.Y. where we visited my niece and her husband and son and also most of my siblings plus their wives and some of their children.

It was a great family reunions with only one sister missing. We talked about when all of us had last been together and we think it was my sister's have a public supper on first wedding some 50+ years ago. There has always been one of us missing since then. Even our youngest sister's funer-

al was missing one of us. Last time we met at all was 3 year's ago at my brother Ralph's 70th birthday. But Paulie was missing then as he lives in Idaho. This time, sister Cindy was missing as she had to work. This trip also served as a 70thy birthday celebration for Paul. He turns 70 in August. I am obviously the youngest of the bunch. Francine is the oldest. She will be 75. They all look well and far younger than their years suggest. It was great to play catch up and meet my nieces, Sarah and Joy, for the first time. Only nephew Kevin was missing. He had to work for the holiday weekend. David redid my niec-

es yard and was in heav-

en getting to landscape,

again. Graduations have come and gone, and in most communities students are out of school for the summer. If not they will be shortly. Take care on the roads for young people on bicycles. Campgrounds are open and they have children on bicycles, too. Many are city kids and to them all our roods are back roads and they do not understand the need to stay to the side or out of the way of traffic. I know we always have kids on bicycles near Papoose Pond. People too near there don't understand that Route 118 isn't in the middle of the woods. I guess to them it is. It is amazing how even to Portland kids, this is the woods and might be scary at night. I remember bringing inner city kids from Portland to a camp in Peru, and they were downright frightened, even though in the

city they were tough guys. Fourth of July is coming soon, Get your camping and fireworks planss made now. There is a community picnic at the Dr. Moses Mason House on Bethel and the usual Fourth Celebration in Waterford. Check in soon for the details.

Am late so must go now, Have a great week.

Bryant Pond



Judith Gro-Tent 17 DUVCW met at the Grange Hall Monday, June 10, with

five members present. Elsie reported on the mon-

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Norland's. Sally reported she would visit the Woodstock Elementary School on Friday, June 21, to present the certificates and dollar coins to the children who wrote essays for Memorial Day, Elsie told of an interesting article in the "Norway Advertiser" on the Civil War. Vicky read an article on the Civil War. Twenty-three calls were reported. There will be a picnic and flag burning ceremony at the August meeting. Alice received the mystery package. Next meeting will be July 8 at the hall. Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday School at 9:15, Morning Worship

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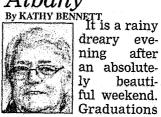
er members attended the

Civil War re-enactment at

at 10:30, Evening Service at 6 p.m. Mid-Week Service this week will be Tuesday, June 25, as several will attend a special service in Augusta on Wednesday. Also on Tuesday, June 25 at 9 a.m., is Ladies Coffee Cup devotions. On Sunday, June 23, after the evening service will be a dessert fellowship time. Bring your favorite sweet.

Congratulations to all the seniors on your gradu-

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beautiful weekend. Graduations are over and school ends this Friday, but we have to go back for the day on

Monday. Continuing to resurface the road from the bridge down to the Waterford line.

Franklin and Margaret went to Belfast today to spend the day with her aunt, Jan Jacobs, and her family as they had rented a cottage on the beach

I spent Friday and Saturday night with Doug and Jen and Bella. We went to the Chinese restaurant for dinner on Friday before graduation. Saturday, we enjoyed the day at Hillcrest Farm, celebrating the opening of the pool. Those there were Chris and Elton Cole, Maire and Eben Katlin and boys, Kim and Pat Carson and their four kids, Doug, Jen, Bel-Ia and I. We had a great cookout with Chef Douglas manning the grill. The kids enjoyed the pool and were in it all afternoon. It was a little too cold for the adults, but Elton, Doug and Pat all took a quick dip.

Have a good week every-

Backyard reflections

By SARA WRIGHT

Grace

Each May Day, I hang two hummingbird feeders. One outside my bedroom window, so I can listen to the hummingbirds hum and hover just behind my head as I awaken in the early morning; I also suspend one from the porch roof. This spring my hummingbird ritual took on a new urgency as I waited for "Grace" to arrive.

Grace was a little female hummingbird that adopted me last summer. She claimed the grape- vined wall outside my bedroom window as her territory and fiercely defended it against any intruder, including her future mates all of whom wore iridescent ruby garments. She did this all summer long, sleeping each night on a trimmed limb, just inches away from my head.

Early in the morning she chirped at me as I awakened. She visited the crabapples and bleeding hearts for nectar early on in the spring, and later feasted in my vibrant perennial gardens - scarlet bee balm, lilies, phloxes, butterfly bush (to name a few). She zoomed around the house during the day. but each evening she returned to her perch after taking a few last sips from her feeder just beyond the screen. Normally the male

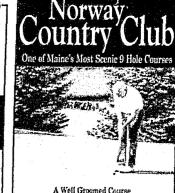


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ruby throat hummingbirds arrive first, but last year this little female arrived along with the male hummingbirds, creating an apparent anomaly in the (scientific) hummingbird world on May 8, 2012.

She hadn't been here a week last spring when tragedy struck. I heard the hum of wings that beat 50 or 60 times per second as she took flight in the direction of the porch. The crash unnerved me - a sharp ping that rattled the porch window ominously a moment or two later. Rushing out of the bedroom and out the door I discovered her lying dead on the ground, or so I thought. Horrified, I picked up her tiny body, a metallic green jewel cradling it in my palm. When I discovered the tiny heart beating I rushed her into the house, filled an eye dropper with sugar water and dribbled it into the side of her mouth (it is important to know that although sugar water can help revive a stunned bird that the water must be administered carefully because birds can choke easily).

For a moment or two, the hummingbird lay there unresponsive, but then her eyes opened and one of them bored into my own. She lay in my hand for about ten minutes, too traumatized to move. I was afraid that she might not be able to fly even if she recovered, and was already frantically trying to figure out how I might care for her when she suddenly struggled to get into an upright position. I had a tiny stick ready and I was heartened to see her little feet curling around the branch tightly as she swayed back and forth, struggling to remain upright.

When she was eventually able to balance herself, I fed her more sugar water, imagining her heart pumping 1,260 beats a minute; it seemed to me that she came back to life before my very eyes. We sat together on the porch for about a half an hour as I continued to feed her.



RYAN'S TRAIL RUN FINISHERS-More than 100 trail runners and supporters participated in the first annual Ryan's Trail Run: A Run for Life on Sunday, June 16 at Gould Academy. The 5km and 10km race was created by Kristen Kimball of Bethel in an effort to raise awareness and money in support of suicide prevention. Ryan's Trail Run raised \$15,500 for the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention, Finishing here are, from left: Audrey Machowski, Melissa Sprague, Jamie Theriault and Holly MacKenzie. (Photo: T. Kimball)

When she flexed her wings it became apparent that she was on the mend so I took her outdoors and placed her on a branch of one of my crabapples. Even then she continued to take nectar from the eye dropper, as I stood nearby. She remained still, but was clearly alert; her emerald feathers shimmered in the sun. It occurred to me that I could take a picture so I left her to retrieve my camera and snapped a few shots of my diminutive friend.

When her wings whirred, I was reminded that muscle makes up 25 to 30 percent of her body weight and that the delicate wings were only connected to her body from the shoulder joint. This adaptation allows for the long bladed wings to rotate almost 180 degrees, enabling the bird to fly forwards, backwards, upside down, and giving it the ability to hover in midair to feed on nectar and small insects.

Finally Grace made the decision to leave, and as she buzzed away I heard a series of little chirps that sounded to me like my hummingbird was saying goodbye. I felt strangely bereft by her absence. We

had shared such an important moment together. What would happen now?

For the remainder of the afternoon, I hovered around my bedroom window hoping to catch a glimpse of her, but she didn't appear and by midafternoon a male hummingbird had taken over her territory. I worried that she had had a setback and might have died.

That evening, around eight, I was reading in bed when I heard a series of furious chirps as my little friend zoomed in on the interloper and chased him away! As she took her place on the clipped grapevine she stared in at me and chittered repeatedly in between taking sips of nectar. Her intermittent conversation continued for about a half an hour before she settled down for the night. "Grace," I whispered to her as the rose-purple dusk settled into night. This is Grace.

This year I anticipated her return because banded hummingbird studies indicate that most hummingbirds return to the same areas and the same feeders each spring, often appearing on the same day. May 8 was also the day I first saw a male hummingbird here at one of my feeders this year, but no sign of Grace. I spoke to my friend Leslie at Mountain Greenery who also reported that the humming-

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birds were slow returning. Another week went by. with two more male hummingbirds appearing at my feeders. And then just as the crabapple trees began to bloom, along with the bleeding hearts violets, blue phlox, Solomon seal, and the fuchsia I bought from Leslie, Grace arrived along with about a dozen others. She stopped by the bedroom window to sip nectar waking me up one morning, and took up residence on her grapevine perch chirping a prolonged greeting even as she periodically zoomed around establishing the boundaries of her old territory. Now the air is full of male hummingbirds displaying their ruby throats as they dip and climb in sweeping horizontal arcs hoping to entice their emerald mates. Once again I note that Grace has many

eager suitors at her bower. Females build the nests out of bits of lichen, bud scales, thistle and dandelion down, bound with spiders' silk in thick, deciduous trees. The two eggs hatch and are brooded by the mother for 12 to14 days. The nestlings are fed with regurgitated insects, nectar, and perhaps tree sap. They are ready to forge on their own within a month of being born. I never figured out how Grace managed to raise a family since she was here every night last summer

and the male, according to ing on insects and spiders most sources, is not supposed to parent his offspring.

The migration patterns of hummingbirds have always fascinated me because so little is known about them and these minuscule birds travel such great distances, many of them flying 500 miles across the Gulf of Mexico, to reach their winter homes in Central or South America. They begin to move northward early in the spring, gorgto add a thick layer of fat in preparation for flying to the US. The number of solitary birds migrating south may be twice that of the northward trip and all these birds find their way back to their southern range without ever having been there before suggesting to me that there is an invisible field of some kind that informs and guides individual birds to find home in either hemisphere. I'm just glad they migrate here!

Organization/ **Business news**

Quilt raffle

Members of the Woodstock Historical Society are raffling a crazy quilt made by Annie Crockett for \$1 each or six for \$5. The quilt was originally donated by Crockett for a raffle to raise funds for the Whitman Memorial Library addition. Won by mary-Ellen Gartner, the quilt was donated to the society in 1998. Crockett was for many years a popular teacher of business classes at Woodstock High School. She was a library trustee and a founding member of the Historical Society. The drawing for the 74x76-inch quilt will take place Aug. 10 at the WHS meeting. Tickets will be available from members and when the museum is open, Saturdays from 1 to 4 p.m. The quilt may be viewed then.

Local Food Connection news

The Local Food Connection's aim is to encourage the production, distribution and consumption of foods produced in our beautiful part of Western Maine to all of our community members. As the season progresses and the gardens grow, we'll keep you updated on where to find food grown by our neighbors and any related events. If you have anything to share or rave about, please let me know at annasysko@gmail.com!

Here are the current goings on:

Saturdays 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Bethel Farmers Market held at Norway Savings Bank in Bethel (at the junction of Route 2 and Parkway)

Wednesdays 3 to 7 p.m.: Farmers at the Market at DiCocoas, 119 Main Street Bethel

The Local Hub is open every day 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. at 224 Main Street Locke's Mills. Janet and Nick Bartlett have lots of local produce and baked goods, seedlings, Maine beer, growing and kitchen supplies.

FirePlaced Pizza at the Local Hub utilizes a lot of local products on their delicious wood-fired oven baked pies. Open Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Bethel Bait, Tackle & More at 7 Mechanic Street in Bethel is selling fresh lobster Wednesday through Monday, 7 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Pastor retires

Following worship service June 30, Rev. Virginia Rickeman will retire as pastor of the West Parish Congregational Church in Bethel to spend more time with her family. Rev. Rickeman, known as "Ginger," has served as minister since May 1, 2004.

An avid and trained horticulturalist, she is looking forward to creating gardens at her new home in Boothbay

following retirement. A potluck supper and retirement party was held last Saturday evening at the church to honor Ginger and her service to the church and the community of Bethel.

Free GPS Training

The Oxford County Soil and Water Conservation District and the Western Maine chapter of Small Woodland Owners Association of Maine will hold a basic GPS (Global Positioning Satellite) training from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, June 22, at the Oxford County Cooperative Extension office.

Participants will be trained on the basics of GPS, from how to set up a new GPS receiver to how find and navigate to locations. This course is a must for anyone interested in using GPS, including woodlot owners, foresters and loggers. Training units will be available to use, so don't bring your own GPS unit.

The training is free and open to the public, but participants need to preregister by calling Jean Federico at Oxford County Soil and Water at 743-5789, ext. 111 or e-mail jean.federico@me.nacdnet.net.

The Oxford County Cooperative Extension office is located off Route 26 west of South Paris, just beyond Jewell Tire, on Olson road. Directional signs will be posted.



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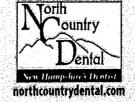
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Bethel Historical Society news

Readers are reminded that the annual Hall Lecture will take place at the Mason House this Thursday, June 20, at 7:30 p.m. Eben Miller, History/Honors Program Coordinator at Southern Maine Community College, will present "Nelson Dingley, Jr.'s Daily Evening Journal: A View of the Northern Civil War Home Front, 1861-1863." Launched in April, 1861, during the outbreak of the Civil War, the Lewiston Daily Evening Journal offers a unique view of the Northern home front, Published by a young Republican (future Maine governor Nelson "Dingley, Jr.), the Journal demonstrates how Mainers re-'sponded to the crisis, from the swift mobilization of regimental units to widespread displays of patriotism. This free program is part of the Society's 2013 Lecture Series, "Trails, Trials and Tourism: Capturing the Maine Experience," sponsored, in part, by a grant from the Maine Humanities Council,

The latest edition of the BHS print newsletter, "The Broad Street Herald," will be mailed to members and donors this week. This issue contains articles about the Society's summer exhibit of White Mountain paintings (many of which will be available for purchase) and the recent archaeological dig by Gould Academy students searching for Dr. Moses Mason's "library" which stood between the Mason and Robinson houses. The newsletter also contains the 2012 "Report of Giving," which recognizes donors whose generosity allow the Society 'to carry out its mission of making the region's history meaningful, accessible, and enjoyable through exhibits, programs, research projects and publications. To join the Society and receive the quarterly newsletter, visit our website at www.bethelhistorical.org or pick up a membership form at the Robinson House (next to the Bethel Library).

The Society would like to thank the following people who have recently donated in support of this summer's programming (including the July 4 Community Picnic and Concert): William and Deborah Andrews, Dutch and Elaine Dresser, Walter and Carolyn Hatch, Richard and Lorrie Hoeh, Rebecca P. Kendall, David Kristol and Marjorie Brandriss, Summit, Rose Mary McLean, Nancy Mercer, Marilyn Sahlberg, Eric and Lucia Schwarz, Janet Stowell, William Ullman, Dean and Priscilla Walker, Edna York, Brendon and Jean Bass, Marvin and Tineke Ouwinga, Charles and Frances Richmond, Thomas H. Mitchell, Jim and Lucia Owen, Barbara H. Lapham, Rivendell House, Frank and Janet Vogt. Much gratitude is extended to all named above for their generosity.

Founded in 1966, the Bethel Historical Society is the largest and most comprehensive historical organization in its region. With nearly 1000 members, the Society fosters a sense of place—with a focus on western Maine and the White Mountain region of Maine and New Hampshire—by collecting, preserving, displaying and interpreting historically significant artifacts and documents for residents, visitors, students, and scholars. Through its exhibits, programs, events, and publications, the Society strives to make the region's history meaningful, accessible, and enjoyable.

SAD 44 summer food service program

Beginning Wednesday, June 26, a lunch meal will be available free, Monday through Thursday, to anyone 18 and younger at Crescent Park Elementary School

More than 51 percent of the students enrolled in MSAD 44 depend on free or reduced-price lunches and breakfasts for nine months of the year. Summer vacation exposes many of them to increased risk of hunger and developmental decline. This is a problem nationwide. As U.S. Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack noted recently, "When school is out during the summer months, many families struggle to feed their children even one nutritious meal a day."

MSAD 44's Summer Food Service Program helps students stay healthy and return to school ready to learn. The Summer Food Service Program is federally funded and administered by the Maine Department of Education

Children who are part of households that receive Food Stamps or Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) are automatically eligible to receive free meals. Acceptance and participation requirements for the program and all activities are the same for all regardless of race, color, national origin, gender, age, or disability, and there will be no discrimination in the course of the meal service. Meals will be provided at the sites and times as follows:

Crescent Park School: Monday through Thursday, 11 to 11:30 a.m.

Bethel Senior Citizen news

The Bethel Senior Citizens Club met June 12, at the Legion Hall for their meeting and luncheon with 29 members present. President Caroline Gould conducted the meeting, led in the salute to the flag, led in the singing of "My Country Tis of Thee" and offered a prayer.

Reports were given by Becky Keene and Arlene Lowell. The door prize was won by Lise McLain and the 50/50 raffle by Florence Merrill.

The next meeting will by July 10, at the Mill Hill Inn. Meeting starts at 11 a.m. Price of meal is \$12, with a choice of sautéed chicken/roasted veggies or vegetarian platter, mixed spring salad. Reservations must be made before July 1 by calling Caroline Gould at 824-3226 or Arlene Lowell at 824-2877.

The trip to the Gray Ani-mal Farm will leave the Bethel Area Health Center at 8:30 a.m. on July 19. Admission is \$3.50.

The speaker was Valerie Cole from SeniorsPlus. Her presentation was "Your life now and making decisions for the future." Plan for unexpected events, get involved in community events, get together with friends to play cards and games, go out to eat or to a movie, keep active, volunteer with schools or organizations.

June birthdays are: Doris Fraser, Ronald Meserve, Beverly Tuttle, Edleen Winslow, Caroline Wilk, Patricia Blake, Betty Moran and Barbara Gallant.

Market Square Health Care sold to North Country

The Western Maine Health Care Board of Trustees Wednesday announced a purchase and sale agreement with Lewiston-based North Country Associates for the purchase of Market Square Health Care Center and Andrews House in Paris' according to a press release. The announcement comes after a lengthy review that convinced the Board it was in the best interest of Market Square residents, the community and Western Maine Health Care to find a company to take over operations rather than explore closing the facility.

According to David Hoisington, chair of the Western Maine Health Care Board of Trustees, "Our board worked very hard to find a financially stable Mainebased organization with a proven record of successfully managing nursing facilities. It was also important to us that we find a company that shared our values. We are thrilled that North Country Associates meets all those criteria."

North Country Associates will purchase the Market Square and Andrews House assets and take over the operations of the facility. Tim Churchill, president of Western Maine Health Care, stated that North Country's commitments to operate Market Square with its current complement of beds, to not ask any residents or tenants to leave due to the sale and to invest a minimum of \$500,000 into the facility were major factors in determining the purchase price. He added that without the sustained Market Square operating losses the organization has experienced over the past decade, Western Maine Health Care will be in a better position to respond to a variety of the community's healthcare challenges now and in the future, including recruiting primary care physicians and implementing a hospitalist program.

"With this sale we are preserving a critical community institution," said Churchill, "and we avoid the need to relocate residents. Our residents will continue to be well cared for by people they know in an environment that is familiar and comfortable for them."

According to Churchill, the transition to North Country Associates will be transparent to Market Square's 63 nursing care residents and 22 residents in residential care, as well as the 11 tenants currently living in the Andrews House apartment units. He stressed that North Country Associates intends to preserve as many of the caregiver positions held by 127 employees (full-time, part-time and per diem) as possible. "They provide excellent care," he said, "and they are committed to the well-being of our residents."

Staff was informed of the decision Tuesday. Residents and their families were then told of the sale through meetings and phone calls.

North Country Associates will meet with Town of Paris staff to review their plans. In addition, a Certificate of Need must be filed and approved by the Department of Health and Human Services. The entire sale process could take several months.

Market Square Health Care Center is an affiliate of Western Maine Health.

Sunday River Resort adds new summer activities

New activities at Sunday River this summer include a climbing wall to supplement existing activities like zipline tours and disc golf; enhancements to the Bike Park in the form of a new pump track, 1.5k cross-country loop, and a mountain bike school; plus three Eastern States Cup mountain bike race events.

There is also a new golf camp, two new music festivals, as well as two motorcycle events.

Sunday River opens for the summer June 21, and is open through Labor Day Weekend on Fridays through Sundays (as well as select holidays) from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

A new climbing wall will be located at the base of its South Ridge Lodge and will allow safe "on belay" and "off belay" action for climbers interested in testing their strength.

The Bike Park's new pump track, located in the South Ridge base area on the Sundance trail, includes a closed circuit training area full of man-made dirt rollers and berms. The cross-country loop, also near the South Ridge base area, will provide an outdoor classroom for the resort's new mountain bike school, as well as a training ground for riders interested in racing in one of the three new Eastern States Cup bike events taking place Aug. 4 and Sept. 21 and 22.

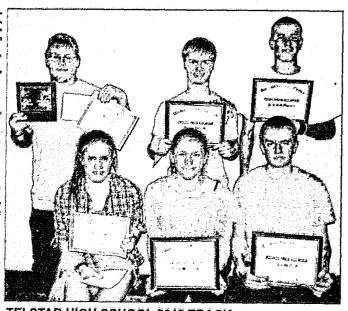
The resort's new mountain bike school offers one- and two-hour clinics. Class space for all classes is limited and reservations are recommended: 800-543-2754.

Kids ages 12 through 17 are invited to the first ever New England Golf Camp hosted by camp director and owner, Bob Siff, Sunday River Resort, and the Sunday River Golf Club. Week-long sessions are available from midJune through late-August and will focus on skills development and game etiquette with instruction from Golf Tips Magazine's "Top 25 Golf Pros in America," Barry Goldstein. More information is available at NewEnglandGolfCamp.com.

The 14th Annual Maine European Motorcycle Meet is scheduled for July 26 through 28 and will include vintage tours, adventure tours, and scheduled rides through the Western Mountains of Maine, and the MotoGiro USA, taking place Sept. 20 through 23, is a skills event for small displacement classic motorcycles, scooters, and sidecar rigs, and is an event promoted by the United States Classic Racing Association.

Both events will be based out of Sunday River and include scenic rides and group events as well as opportunities to see motorcycles of various makes and models.

Telstar High School Spring Sports Awards



TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 2013 TRACK
Front: Gabi Stone (Athlete of the Month for April), Casey
Blasczcak (Athlete of the Month for May; MVC Honorable Mention 400 Meter Dash, Girl's MVP), Bronson Dean
(MVC 2nd Team 4x800 Relay). Back: Will Lyman (Athlete
of the Month April, Field Event Award), Austin Ryerson
(MVC 2nd Team 4x800 Relay), Josef Holt-Andrews (Athlete of the Month May, MVC 1st Team 1600 M Run and
3200 M Run, MVC 2nd Team 4x800 Relay, Boy's MVP).
Absent: Kaitlyn Brown (Rookie of the Year), Maverick
Griffin (MVC 2nd Team 4x800 relay, Hustle Award).



TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 2013 SOFTBALL Front: Rachael Wheeler (1st Team MVC All-Star); Taylor Savage (Honorable Mention MVC All-Star, Athlete of the Month for April); Jessica Dirago (1st Team MVC All-Star). Back: Vanessa Godwin (Athlete of the Month for April); Kayla Waterhouse (Athlete of the Month for May).



TELSTAR HIGH SCHOOL 2013 BASEBALL
Front: Colton Davis (Hustle Award, MVC Academic All-Star), Chris Chappie (Athlete of the Month), Ricky James (Teammate of the Year, MVC Academic All-Star). Back: Hunter Williamson (Athlete of the Month), Eric Lowell (Athlete of the Month), Buddy Williamson (Teammate of the Year).

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Church Services

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Bethel Alliance Church - 251
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Youth Group 5-7 p.m. Thursdays:
Middle School Youth Group 5-7 p.m.
FMI: 207-824-2289

Bethel Church of the Nazarene = 16 Church Street, Bethel. Sunday School, 9:30 (for all ages). Pastor

Peter Carter. The third Sunday of every month at 9 a.m. breakfast open to the public, no charge. Morning Worship 10:30. Wed evening 6:00 Prayer and Bible Study. FMI, transportation or prayer please contact Gerry Shimamura 824-7289 or Juanita Korhonen 665-2528.

Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Savior, Our Lady of the Snows - 265 Walkers Mills Road (Rt. 26). Fr. Robert Vaillancourt may be reached at the parish office 364-4556. Saturday Mass, 6 p.m. Announcements. FMI: 824-2933.

West Parish Congregational -Church Street, Rev. Virginia Rickeman, Pastor. Sundays: 10 a.m. worship and Sunday School Sept.-May. Nursery and child care provided. Tuesdays: 8 a.m., informal Prayer Group with coffee in the Chapel. All are welcome. First Wednesday of the month: 8 a.m., Mens' Breakfast Group. Entrance in rear of church. All events open to everyone. This is an open and affirming congregation. FMI: 824-2689; 824-0550.

United Methodist - Main Street - Pastor Carol Stevens. Sunday worship 9 a.m. Bible Study 1:30 p.m. onWednesdays at Sudbury Village, Apt. 15. FMI: 824-0797.

West Bethel Union - Rev. John Williams. Morning worship and 9

a.m. Sunday School. FMI: 836-3533 or 836-2882.

Pleasant Valley Bible Pastor
Dave Fraher. Sunday Services: Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Worship Service,
10 a.m.. Ladies Bible study Tuesday,
2:30 p.m. Midweek Bible study and
prayer, Wednesday 6 p.m. Awana
Club Fridays 3:30-5 p.m. (Cubbies
ages 3/4; Sparks Grades K-2; children may take bus from school).
Monthly Youth Group meetings and
Grades 3- high school, FMI: 836-2828.

Seventh Day Adventist Fellowship: Meets at the Nazarene Church on Saturdays, on Church Street in Bethel. Sabbath School 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. FMI: 357-7814.

Puzzles4Kids by Helene Hovanec

RIDDLE SEARCH - ASTRONAUTS

Look up, down, and diagonally, both forward and backward to find every word on the list. Circle each one as you find it. When all the words are circled, take the UNUSED letters and write them on the blanks below. Go from left to right and top to bottom to find the answer to this riddle: Where do astronauts park their space ships?

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For more puzzle fun, go to www.www.brainzzles.com

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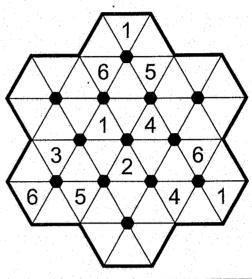
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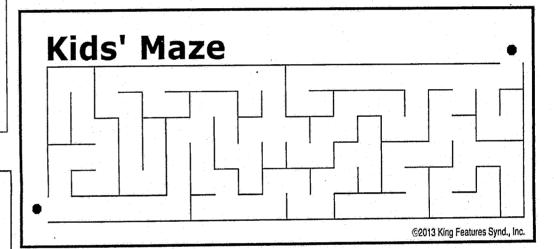
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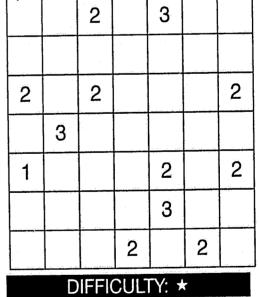
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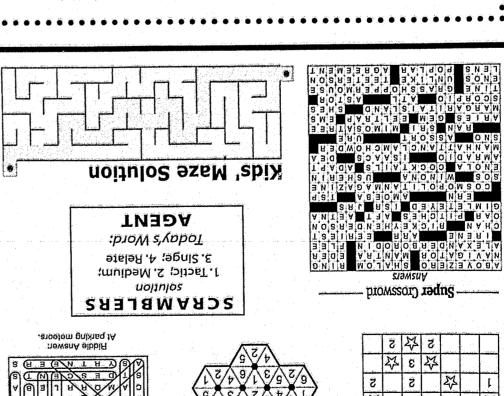
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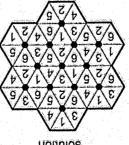


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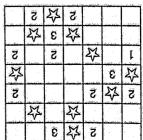
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Answer Puzzles4Kids



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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

June 20 to June 30

OHMPAA's Spring Performance of "The Fourth Wall" by A.R. Gurney; Norway Grange, 15 Whitman Street. Performances will take place on June 20, 21, 22 and 27, 28, and 29 at 7:30 pm, and June 23 and 30 at 2:00 pm. The show is not suitable for children. Seating limited to 100 per show. All opening night tickets are \$5. Tickets for other performances are \$10 for adults, \$8 for senior citizens 55 and up, and students 18 and under. Advance tickets may be purchased at Books-N-Things, 430 Main Street, Norway, or call 207-739-6200. FMI visit OHMPAA.com.

Thursday, June 20

SUFU Meeting Community Employment; 12 p.m., 85 Lincoln Avenue, Rumford. Guest Speaker: Vickie Morton. Open to the public.

BACC Business After Hours; 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., Bethel Bicycle, 53 Mayville Road. BBQ (hot dogs. hamburgers, veggie burgers), beer and wine. Drawings for a free tune-up (must be present to

Preteen Dance Starring "TJ the DJ"; 6:30 to 9:30 p.m., American Legion Post 72, 12 Church Street South Paris. Admission: \$5. Door prizes. Snacks and drinks to purchase, FMI: 595-8499.

Bryant Pond Cruise Night; 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., Breau's Too and Woodstock Oil parking lot.

"Meet and Greet" with Artist Joanie Kintz; 7 p.m., West Paris Library. All are invited to come. meet Joanie, and enjoy viewing her works. Light refreshments will be served.

Hall Memorial Lecture; 7:30 p.m., Mason House Exhibit Hall, Bethel. Eben Miller presents Nelson Dingley, Jr.'s "Daily Evening Journal: A View of the Northern Civil War Home Front, 1861-1863." The "Lewiston Daily Evening Journal" offers a unique view of the Northern home front, demonstrating how Mainers responded to the crisis. This lecture will draw from the Journal to explore the extent to which experiences were emblematic of the Northern home front during the first year of the Civil War. Free and open to the public.

Friday, June 21

Oxford County Educators Association-Retired (OCEA-R) Meeting; 11 a.m., New Jerusalem Church, 4 Oxford Street, Fryeburg. A noon dinner will be provided by members of the church, and the program will begin at 1 p.m. with speaker, Roy Andrews.

10th Annual Solstice Hike; 5 p.m., Bob Chase Trail, Bald Pate Mountain Preserve, South Bridgton. Participants are invited to play a musical instrument, read a poem, or express a thought about summer or their connection to the environment. Meet in the Bald Pate parking lot. Bring water, snacks, hiking boots, a rain jacket, and bug spray. This is an easy to moderate hike, lasting approximately 90 minutes. FMI: Jon Evans (jon@lelt.org) or 647-4352.

Benefit Concert for Deertrees Theatre; 7:30 p.m., Deertrees Theatre, Harrison. Singer-Songwriter, Emilia Dahlin has carved out her name as a unique songstress. She weaves mesmerizing tales with raw, "rootsy" folk with dynamic vintage jazz vocals. Emilia will be joined by bassist, Adam Frederick for a Solstice to be remembered. Tickets: \$10. FMI: Andrew Harris (344-7508 or 783-4859).

Christopher Anderson Organ Concert; 7:30 p.m., Gorham Congregational Church, 143 Main Street, Gorham, N.H. Musical works of Daniel Pinkham (1923–2006), Max Reger (1873–1916), Karl Straube (1873-1950), Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750), and Charles Ives (1874–1954) will be featured. Admission is by donation. FMI: www.MusicGNW. org or (603) 466-2865.

Saturday, June 22

Public Crockpot Potluck Lunch; 11 a.m., Gilead Town Hall. First come, first served. Variety of hot and cold main dishes, salads, dinner rolls, desserts. and beverages. Adults \$7, children ages 5 to 12 \$3. children under 5 free. Guest speaker, Hugh "Cubby Swan," will discuss his research on hobos of the railroad era at 1 p.m. FMI: Lin Chapman (836-2987). Roast Pork Public Supper; 5 to 7 p.m., Masonic Building, Main Street, Bryant Pond. Roast pork, mashed potatoes and gravy, stuffing, green beans. apple sauce, dinner rolls, and beverage. Brownies and ice cream for dessert. \$8/adults, \$5/children 10 and under. Takeout available. Reservations for parties of eight or more welcome. FMI: 744-9322 or 739-2268,

Jones Dance Band; 7 to 10 p.m., South Paris Legion Hall, Church Street. Old-fashioned dance music. Adults/\$5.

Roxbury ATV Riders Mystery Evening Ride: 7 p.m.. Roxbury ATV Park. The ride will end at the Silver Lake Campground with a bonfire, hotdogs, and hot drinks. \$5/person. Proceeds benefit the Maine Children's Cancer Program.

Celebration Barn Presents "Laugh 'til You Die" with Tom Murphy; 8 p.m., Celebration Barn Theater, 190 Stock Farm Road, South Paris. Tickets: \$14/adults, \$12/seniors, \$8/students and kids. Doors open at 7:30 p.m. Tickets can be purchased in advance by calling 743-8452.

Sunday, June 23

Newry Community Church Service; 9 a.m. Speaker: Richard Anderson, Principal of Mt. Pisgah Christian Academy, Ashville, N.C. 13th Annual Mt. Washington Auto Road

old Rowe Ford parking lot in Rumford; 11 a.m.

Bethel. Registration: \$35/machine and driver, \$10/ additional riders. FMI: http://www.nhatv.com/ pages/MT_Washington_2013,html.

Old Time Music by the Maniac Mountaineers; 2 p.m., Locke's Mills Town Hall. Donations are welcome. Proceeds benefit the Greenwood Historical Society. Bring your dancing shoes and a cushion for your chair.

Victory Swing Band Encore Performance; 7 p.m., Bell Hill Meeting House, Otisfield. Included in the program will be some legendary jazz artists and arrangers: Count Basie, Duke Ellington, Stan Kenton, Nat King Cole, and many more. Admission is free, but donations are appreciated.

Monday, June 24

Les Hay Babies; 7 p.m., St. Keiran Arts Center, Berlin, N.H. With guitars, ukulele, and banjo, the multi-talented Les Hay Babies bring their high energy repertoire to the stage as singersongwriters-musicians. The trio of performers range in age from nineteen to twenty one and hail from three small Acadian villages in New Brunswick. Tickets: \$12/adults, \$6/students.

Tuesday, June 25

Your Government, Your Neighborhood: Staff of Sen. Angus King will hold office hours for constituents at the Bethel Town Office, 10 a.m. to

June 26 through July 20

Music Without Borders Piano Festival; 7:30 p.m. every Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday, McLaughlin Science Center Auditorium, Gould Academy. Free and open to the public. For a list of this season's participants, facts about the Festival's history and the venue, visit www. musicwoborders.com.

Wednesday, June 26

SeniorsPlus Area Agency on Aging; 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., Rumford Town Office. Representatives of SeniorsPlus will be available to answer any questions or concerns you may have. All events are free and open to the public. FMI/appointments: 1-800-427-1241.

Community Supper; 4:30 to 6 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church, 251 Walkers Mills Road. Free and open to the public. FMI: 824-2289.

TRIPLE VISION Opening; 5 to 7 p.m., St. Kieran Arts Center. Meet-the-artist talk: 6 p.m. Featuring Bethel Art Fair; 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Bethel Town the nature photography of Lloyd Alexander, drawings and sculptures of Jean Bartoli, and paintings of Andre Belanger. Free and open to the public. FMI: (603) 752-1028 or www.stkieranarts.

Thursday, June 27

Constellation Energy/Bethel Area Chamber Golf Classic; 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Sunday River Golf Club, 18 Championship Drive, Newry. \$125 for a full day of golf, breakfast, lunch, networking, amenity items and more.

Upton Town Meeting; 7 p.m., Upton School.

Friday, June 28

Safe Sitter Class; 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Ripley Medical Building's Harper Conference Center, 193 Main Street, Norway. Open to students 11 years and older. Safe Sitters learn infant and child CPR, choking procedure, basic child care skills, and how to entertain and keep them safe. Class fee: \$50 (\$15 scholarships are available). FMI/Registration: 743-1562 (ext. 6951).

American Red Cross Blood Drive; 11 a.m. to 3:40 p.m., Androscoggin Valley Hospital's first floor Lecture Room. Blood supplies are low. FMI/ Appointments: James Patry (603) 326-5606.

Saturday, June 29

Jones Dance Band; 7 to 10 p.m., South Paris Legion Hall, Church Street. Old-fashioned dance music. Adults/\$5.

Mondays, July 1, 15 and 29

Essentials of College Planning for Adults 19 and Over; 10 a.m., Western Maine University & Community College Center, 232 Main Street, South Paris. Free, interactive workshop that outlines the four steps in the process; admissions, financial aid, career planning, and study skills. The workshop lasts approximately 2 to 3 hours. Preregistration required. FMI/Registration: 1-800-281-3703.

Monday, July 1

Socrates Café; 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., Waterford Library. July's topic will be "What is Wisdom?" The moderator will be Jim Kearney. The group offers a forum to discuss current topics and ideas in a warm, friendly atmosphere, where divergent views will be welcome. Coffee and light refreshments will be served.

July 2 through August 31

Guided Tours of the Dr. Moses Mason House; 1 to 4 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday. Tours may be arranged during the remainder of the year by calling (207) 824-2908. Adults/\$3, Children 6 to 12/\$1.50, under 6/free. Family rate: \$7. Bethel Historical Society Members, free.

Tuesday, July 2

"200 Years a Landmark" Celebrating the Dr. Moses Mason House; 1:30 p.m., Dr. Moses Mason House, Bethel. A highlight of this event will be the unveiling of a professionally designed scale ATV Memorial Ride; 10 a.m. departure from the model of the Dr. Moses Mason House, Bethel Hill's oldest residence, created by BHS member, James departure from the movie theater parking lot in Auman.

Five nights of international Celtic performances continues; 7 p.m., with Ten Strings and a Goat Skin at the Bingham Hall, 45 Church Street, Gould Academy. Series is presented by the Mahoosuc Arts Council in partnership with New England Celtic Arts. The other dates are July 16, Aug. 13 and 27. Tickets, \$15; purchase online at www.mahoosucarts.org or reserve at 207-890-6386.

Thursday, July 4

Annual Book Sale; 8 a.m. to 12 p.m., Waterford Library. The sale will include a large selection of hardcover and paperback books as well as a good selection of children's books. The library will be open during the sale. Hardcover books/\$2, paperback books/\$1. Book donations are welcome prior to the sale and may be left in the library lobby at any time.

Fourth of July Community Picnic and Concert, 11:30 a.m., side lawn of the Dr. Moses Mason House, Bethel. Following the presentation of colors and the National Anthem, Matt Ruby will speak briefly about this special day in American history. The program will continue with a free two-hour concert by the Portland Brass Quintet. In case of rain, the picnic and concert will be held in the Middle Intervale Meetinghouse on Intervale Road.

Live Music Lawn Dance; 8 p.m., outside the Tavern at the Bethel Inn Resort.

Friday, July 5

High Street Art Walk, Jo Baker Reception; 5 to 8 p.m., Owen Gallery, Gould Academy. 9th Annual Shy, Novice & Closeted Art Soiree; 5 to 8 p.m., High Street.

July 6 through August 31

"Pictures Serene and Sublime: Traditional White Mountain Art Recaptured" Opening: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on July 6; thereafter, Tuesday through Saturday, 1 to 4 p.m. This eight-week exhibition will feature a variety of White Mountain landscapes, including several from the collection of the Jackson, N.H., Historical Society. The contemporary works by artists Koeppel and Sansaricq will be available for purchase (proceeds benefit the Bethel Historical Society).

Saturday, July 6

Common. Visit the historic Bethel Common to enjoy live music, fine fare, and the unique offerings of more than 60 artists and artisans exhibiting oil, pastel, watercolor, pen-and-ink, and multimedia works, plus photography, woodworking, metalsmithing, jewelry, beadwork, stained glass, pottery, and more. FMI: 824-2575 or mahoosucarts.

Shy, Novice, Closeted Art Show, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., 18 High Street, Bethel. A low key, low pressure venue for shy or novice artists. Accepting up to six pieces per artist, all mediums. Entry fee: \$10. FMI: Janet Willie (824-3889) or visit http://www. shynoviceclosetedartshow.com/.

Jo Baker Exhibit; 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Owen Gallery, Gould Academy.

Artistic Endeavors Open House; 1:30 to 4:30 p.m., 171 Main Street, Bethel. Showcasing the works of Mary Isham. Mary will be working on one of her new pieces and greeting visitors. Light refreshments will be served. Works will remain on display through Aug. 24. FMI: 824-3273.

Through the Ages Car Parade and Show; 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Parade begins on Railroad Street. continuing to the lawns of the Bethel Inn, where cars will be parked until 8 p.m.

Ten Decades of Fashion; 6 to 8 p.m., Bethel Inn Resort Conference Center. The show will feature one outfit from each decade of the inn's history - flapper wedding dresses, leather waders, gogo boots, bell bottoms, and more. Tickets: \$15. Proceeds benefit the Mahoosuc Arts Council.

Comedian Tim Sample; 7:30 p.m., Leura Hill Eastman Performing Arts Center, Fryeburg. Tickets: \$15/advance, \$18/at the door. Tickets may be purchased at the Box Office by calling 935. 9232 or online at www.fryeburgacademy.org/pac. Group discounts are available to parties of 10 or more.

Wednesday, July 10

Bethel Senior Citizens Meeting; 11 a.m., Mill Hill Inn. Meal is a choice of sautéed chicken with roasted veggies or a vegetarian platter with spring salad for \$12. Reservations must be made prior to July 1 by calling Caroline Gould (824-3226) or Arlene Lowell (824-2877).

July 11, 12, 13

Norway Arts Festival; Main Street, Norway. Events held on and around Main Street throughout the weekend include a sidewalk arts sale, book sale, dinners, live music, dancing and performance art, and so much more. FMI: 522-8670 or norwayartsfestival.org.

Thursday, July 11

Teen Dance Starring TJ the DJ; 7 to 11 p.m., American Legion Post 72, 12 Church Street, South Paris. Admission: \$6. Door prizes. Snacks and drinks to purchase. FMI: 595-8499.

July 13 and 14

2013 Western Maine Gem, Mineral & Jewelry Show; Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Crescent Park School, Bethel. Museumquality displays and demonstrations on gold panning and cabbing throughout the weekend.

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Enrichment opportunities for the children in SAD #44

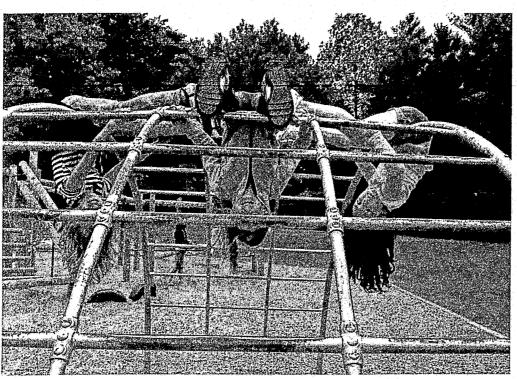
From the Director

As we wind down this school year, MKA would like to thank the parents for allowing us to enrich your children afterschool this year. We serve approximately 400 students a year in all of our sites and summer programs. All sites showed an increase in participation - especially Telstar High School and Woodstock Elementary School. As we look forward to a new year, a special thank you to SAD#44 administrators and staff that work with us every day to provide a smooth transition from the school day to afterschool. We look forward to another wonderful school year!

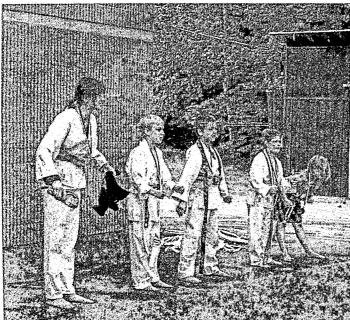
Meanwhile, we are so ready for Summer Adventure 2013 "Where the Wild Things Are" - June 26th to August 16th. Enrollment is always open and we look forward to another fun filled summer. Come check out our Sports Camps -July 15 - Aug 2 - Field Hockey, Soccer, Horse, and Golf. Call MKA for more information.

As always follow us on Facebook and Twitter for up to the minute information on all our programs and events! Have a great summer!

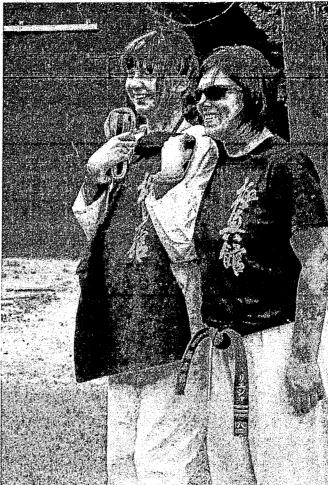
Julie Hart,



Celia Melanson, Bella DeVivo, and Addie Charette hanging around on the jungle gym.



The Samurais show off their new belts.



Karate student of the year at the Woodstock School site; Racheal MacKillop with Sensei Leisha.



Orion Fournier and Mason Thompson at I Dig In Dirt.



Isabella Conners, Addie Charette, Tabitha Hanks, and Shelby Thorman making lip gloss.



Brayden Stevens gets his new belt.



Nyla Scott takes a break from playing to read her yearbook.



Jocelyn and Corinne Nivus enjoying a popsicle.



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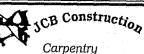
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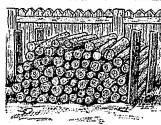
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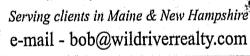
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Isabel (Ansell) Jacobs, 90, died Tuesday, June 11, 2013, at the Maine Veterans' Home in Augusta. She was born February 12, 1923, in Dexter, daughter of Charles and Grace (Murphy) Ansell.

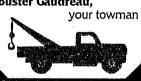
Isabel grew up in Dexter, graduated from N.H. Fay High School in 1941, and was a member of the Class of 1945, University of Maine at Orono. She and Second Lt. Stephen L. Jacobs were married June 12, 1944, in Dexter. After his return from U.S. Army duty in the Philippines in 1946, they eventually settled in Buxton, and Isabel started her teaching career. The family moved to Bethel in 1958, where Stephen taught at Gould Academy while she taught at nearby Woodstock High School. After returning to Dexter in 1966, she taught at PCHS in Guilford and at Dexter Regional High School until she retired in

Isabel was a member of the First Universalist Church in Dexter, served

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on the Board of Plummer Memorial Hospital, was active in the Teachers Association, assisted Jeanine Clark with high school musicals, and was a member of the board of Woman Care/Aegis in its early years. In later years, she served on the board of the Abbott Memorial Library and authored a book, "Bubbles in the Sun" published by the Dexter Historical So-

hood in Dexter. She is survived by sons Richard Jacobs and wife Linda Walden of Modesto, Calif., Lawrence and wife Brenda Jacobs of Corinna, Charles Jacobs and wife Rebecca Stanley of Monmouth; nine grandchildren; 11 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews. She was predeceased by her husband, her parents, and sisters Elizabeth Ansell Gatlin and Dorothy

Ansell Hague. A service of remembrance will be held at 11 a.m., Friday, August 2, 2013, at the Dexter Universalist Church.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in her memory may be made to the Memorial Fund of the First Universalist Church, P. O. Box 294; or to the Dexter Historical Society, P. O. Box 481, both of Dexter, ME 04930. Written tributes may be expressed at www.CrosbyNeal.com

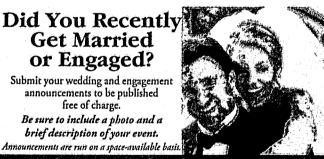
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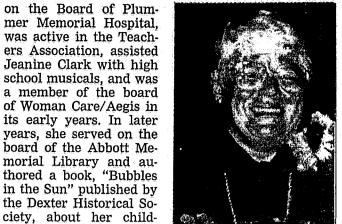
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MAXINE D. THURSTON Maxine Dresser Thurston, age 81, died Thursday, June 13, 2013, from injuries sustained in an automobile accident. Mrs. Thurston was born

in Andover on Dec. 9, 1931. She was the daughter of Everett and Elsie (Sedgeley) Dresser. She grew up in Andover where she received her early education and graduated from Andover High School in 1949. Afterward, she attended the University of Maine in Orono, working her way through college as a waitress. She graduated as one of the first women to earn a degree in Business Administration, from the U. Maine, class of 1953. She married Harmon Franklin Thurston on June 12, 1954, in Andover. They lived in Medford, Ore., for a year before returning back East to Mass.

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